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Births.

BOULTON.—November 30, at her residence, Boundary-street, Redfern, the wife of George Boulton, of a son.

CHAPMAN.—November 21, at her residence, 168, George-street West, Mrs. Edward M. Chapman, of a daughter.

COHEN.—December 20, at her residence, 29, Rhine-terrace, Upper William-street South, the wife of Lionel H. Cohen, of a daughter.

DAVIS.—December 20, at her residence, Phœnix Cottage, Rofe-street, Leichhardt, the wife of David Davis, of a daughter.

GREENWOOD.—December 15, at her residence, Burns Bay Tannery, Lane Cove River, the wife of T. Greenwood, of a son.

HART.—December 13, at her residence, O'Connor-street, the wife of T. Hart, of a daughter.

HOBSON.—December 14, at her residence, Athelney, Petersham, the wife of Arthur E. Hobson, of a son.

HOTSON.—December 8, at Forbes, the wife of J. B. Hotson, civil engineer, of a daughter.

HOUGH.—December 18, 1883, at St. James' Parsonage, Macquarie-street, the wife of the Rev. William Hough, of a daughter.

LUSBY.—December 19, at her residence, Olive Bank, Stanmore, the wife of John Lusby, of a son.

MAILEY.—December 9, at her residence, 57, Abercrombie-street, Redfern, the wife of Charles H. Mailey, of a daughter.

NEWLAND.—December 14, at May Cottage, Derwent-street, Glebe, the wife of P. J. Newland, of a daughter.

RAY.—December 14, at her residence, Hoxton, Moore Park, the wife of Edgar H. Ray, of a son.

STURROCK.—December 8, 1883, at her residence, 126, Denison-street, Newtown, the wife of W. R. Sturrock, of a son.

TUCKER.—November 26, 1883, at her residence, Pierce-terrace, Carcoar, the wife of John M. G. Tucker, of a son.

WALSH.—December 18, at her residence, 349, Crown-street, Surry Hills, Mrs. J. Walsh, of a son.

Marriages.

BLUMER—FRIES.—October 31, at Charleston, New Zealand, by the Rev. J. J. Pendray, George A. Blumer, third son of the late John W. Blumer, of Paddington, Sydney, New South Wales, to Mary C. Fries, eldest daughter of A. H. Fries, of Charleston, New Zealand.

BOYLE—FREAN.—December 19, at the residence of Mr. John Boyle, 168, John-street, Pyrmont, by the Rev. J. Penman, James Gilbert, only son of Mr. John Boyle, to Ada Susan, daughter of Mr. John Henry Frean, of Victoria.

CLAYTON—BLACKMORE.—December 6, at St. James' Church, by the Rev. W. Hough, Peter, second son of the late Leonard Clayton, Manchester, England, to Maria Augusta, eldest daughter of Charles Blackmore, Belmont, Boulevard, Petersham. Home papers please copy.

CUNNINGHAM—KINGSBOROUGH.—December 18, at the Centenary Church, York-street, by the Rev. John Osborne, assisted by the Rev. G. H. Cowles, James Edward, eldest son of Benjamin Marriot Cunningham, of Melbourne, to Annie, fourth daughter of Curran Kingsborough, of Sydney.

CURTIS—READ.—December 18, at 5, Albert-street, Woollahra, by Rev. J. P. Dickson, assisted by Rev. T. Nisbet, Orange, Louis A. Curtis to Ada Marion Read, daughter of the late R. C. Hide, Esq.

GIVEN—ROBERTSON.—December 20, at Sydney, by the Rev. James Jefferis, Andrew, fourth son of the late Robert Given, coachbuilder and postmaster, Edinburgh, to Isabella Middleton, youngest daughter of the late John Moncrieff Robertson, solicitor to the Supreme Court of Scotland, Edinburgh.

JOHNS—TISDALE.—December 4, at the residence of the bride, by the Rev. S. Bryant, John, only son of Alderman James Johns, to Mary Elizabeth, only daughter of J. Tisdale, Esq., Queenstreet, Woollahra.

LOCKE—ROWE.—October 24, 1883, at St. Paul's Church, Redfern, by Rev. Canon Stevens, John Rose Locke, widower, of Redfern-street, Redfern, to Louisa Adelaide Rowe, widow of the late C. H. Rowe, Riverstone.

MARKS—COHEN.—December 19, at the Great Synagogue, Elizabeth-street, Sydney, by the Rev. A. B. Davis, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Wolinski, Henry Morris, eldest son of Morris L. Marks, Esq., of Wellington, New Zealand, to Amelia Frances, eldest daughter of Samuel Cohen, Esq., late of Baroda, Macleay-street, Sydney. New Zealand papers please copy.

PARTRIDGE—MILLIEN.—October 18, Samuel Partridge, formerly of Birmingham and the Midland Counties of England, to Annie Millien de Charanton, près Pouilly, sur Loire, Nevre, France. No colonial relatives of same family surnames.

RILEY—RODWELL.—December 15, at Elizabeth-street, Paddington, by Rev. J. P. Dickson, William Bede Riley to Agnes Rodwell, Surry Hills.

SKINNER—LOCKE.—October 24, 1883, at St. Paul's Church, Redfern, by the Rev. Canon Stevens, Joseph Skinner, sixth son of Jacob Skinner, Esq., of St. Heliers, Isle of Jersey, to Rosina Ann Locke, eldest daughter of John Rose Locke, contractor, of Redfern-street, Redfern, Sydney.

WHITECROSS—PAGE.—December 13, at St. Andrew's Cathedral, by the Very Rev. the Dean of Sydney, Thomas Leask Whitecross, second son of the late William Whitecross, Aberdeen, Scotland, to Eliza, eldest daughter of the late John Samuel Page, of London.

Deaths.

ALLERTON.—December 17, at his residence, Woodford Cottage, Cecil-street, Ashfield, Isaac Allerton, for many years draper of this city, after a lingering illness, which he bore with Christian fortitude, aged 42 years.

ALLISON.—December 19, at his parents' residence, Bishop-street, Burwood, Thomas Leslie, youngest son of T. J. and L. Allison, aged 4 months.

BELL.—December 17, of inflammation of the lungs, Archibald Percy, the third son of Sydney Bell, of the Bank of New South Wales, Young, aged 3 years.

CHAPMAN.—In loving remembrance of Lucy, only daughter of Lucy and William Chapman, who died November 10, 1883, aged 9 months and 3 weeks.

HICKS.—December 21, at his parents' residence, No. 12, High Holborn-street, Surry Hills, William Reuben, beloved infant son of Reuben and Sarah Elizabeth Hicks, aged 6 weeks.

M'GRATH.—December 17, at the residence of his parents, George-street, Camperdown, Michael James, the dearly beloved eldest son of Michael and Mary M'Grath, aged 20 years.

MITCHELL.—At her residence, Macleay-street, Mary Thomson Mitchell, widow of the late Colonel Sir Thomas Mitchell, D.C.L., aged 83 years.

PARTRIDGE.—December 18, at his parents' residence, Baker-street, Enfield, William George, the beloved infant and only son of William George and Amelia Partridge, aged 5 months 14 days.

PEERS.—December 16, at Bourke, Dr. Joseph F. Peers, in his 60th year.

SMITH.—December 13, at Mathoura, New South Wales, George Frederick Smith, Commission Agent, late of London, the dearly beloved husband of Maud Smith, aged 34 years.

STEVENS.—December 18, at her residence, Dumbarton-street, Blue's Bay, North Shore, the wife of Henry Stevens, of a daughter.

SWITZER.—December 17, at his late residence, Ethol House, 605, Dowling-street, Moore Park, Eugene Switzer, aged 73 years.

WESTBURY.—December 16, at Mittagong, Thomas Westbury, aged 26 years. He was accidentally drowned while performing the gallant act of rescuing two drowning men. He leaves a wife and three children to mourn their loss.

WHITEHEAD.—December 18, accidentally killed at Forenore, near Orange, Thomas Henry, third beloved son of William and Rebecca Whitehead, aged 12 years.

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Parramatta	4759	A. E. Barlow	Jan. 11	Jan. 17	Jan. 19
Carthage	5013	G. N. Hector	Jan. 25	Jan. 31	Feb. 2
Ravenna	3372	E. Stewart	Feb. 8	Feb. 14	Feb. 16
Rosetta	3502	G. W. Brady	Feb. 22	Feb. 28	Mar. 1
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LEVUKA (FIJI)	Cintra	Friday, 28th instant.
BRISBANE	Ly-ee-Moon	This day, at noon.
Ditto	Gunga	This day, 4 p.m.
Ditto	Katoomba	Wednesday, 10 a.m.
Ditto	Egmont	Thursday, 4 p.m.
Ditto	Alexandra	Friday, 4 p.m.
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BUNDABERG	Egmont	Thursday, 4 p.m.
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Ditto	Katoomba (for passengers only)	Wednesday, 10 a.m.
Ditto	Egmont	Thursday, 4 p.m.
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PORT MACKAY	Ly-ee-Moon	This day, at noon.
Ditto	Katoomba	Wednesday, 10 a.m.
BOWEN	Gunga	This day, 4 p.m.
Ditto	Katoomba	Wednesday, 10 a.m.
Ditto	Alexandra	Friday, 4 p.m.
TOWNSVILLE	Gunga	This day, 4 p.m.
Ditto	Katoomba	Wednesday, 10 a.m.
Ditto	Alexandra	Friday, 4 p.m.
CAIRNS	Gunga	This day, 4 p.m.
Ditto	Katoomba	Wednesday, 10 a.m.
Ditto	Alexandra	Friday, 4 p.m.
PORT DOUGLAS	Gunga	This day, 4 p.m.
Ditto	Katoomba	Wednesday, 10 a.m.
Ditto	Alexandra	Friday, 4 p.m.
DUNGENESS	Gunga	This day, 4 p.m.
Ditto	Katoomba	Wednesday, 10 a.m.
Ditto	Alexandra	Friday, 4 p.m.
CARDWELL	Gunga	This day, 4 p.m.
Ditto	Katoomba	Wednesday, 10 a.m.
Ditto	Alexandra	Friday, 4 p.m.
JOHNSTON RIVER	Gunga	This day, 4 p.m.
Ditto	Katoomba	Wednesday, 10 a.m.
Ditto	Alexandra	Friday, 4 p.m.
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BUNINYONG	F. B. Stanford	FRIDAY, Jan. 4, at 4 p.m.

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LEURA	J. Pain	THIS DAY, Dec. 22, 1 p.m.
BURWAH	J. H. South	WEDNESDAY, Dec. 26, 11 a.m.
BARRABOOL	—	SATURDAY, January 5.

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BURWAH	J. H. South	WEDNESDAY, Dec. 26, 11 a.m.
BARRABOOL	—	SATURDAY, January 5.

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WM. HOWARD SMITH and SONS, Limited,
42, King-street.

STEAM TO MELBOURNE.—The undersigned will despatch their steamers from their wharf as under (when practicable):—

WENDOUREE	W. H. Emmerson	THIS DAY, at noon.
NEMESIS	W. F. Deary	SATURDAY, December 29, at noon.

Freight at lowest rates.

Cargo received daily.

FARES:
SALOON, THIRTY SHILLINGS; RETURN, THREE POUNDS. STEERAGE, FIFTEEN SHILLINGS.
HUDDART, PARKER, and CO., foot of Margaret-street.

RICHMOND RIVER.

The S.S. LISMORE, 500 tons
(having crossed the Richmond bar)
will positively be despatched from Russell's Wharf,
9, Sussex-street,
NEXT MONDAY NIGHT, at 9 o'clock.

Cargo now received.

R. R. NICOLL, 9, Sussex-street.

UNION STEAMSHIP COMPANY OF NEW ZEALAND, Limited.

REGULAR COMMUNICATION TO ALL NEW ZEALAND PORTS.

FROM SYDNEY.

FOR AUCKLAND, GISBORNE, NAPIER, WELLINGTON, LYTTELTON, AND PORT CHALMERS, DUNEDIN.
RINGAROOMA, 1100 tons, THURSDAY, 27th December.
ROTOMAHANA, 1727 tons, THURSDAY, 3rd January.
RINGAROOMA, 1100 tons, THURSDAY, 10th January.

FOR WELLINGTON, LYTTELTON, and PORT CHALMERS, DUNEDIN, transhipping to outports.
WAKATIPU, 1790 tons, TUESDAY, 1st January.

FROM MELBOURNE.

FOR BLUFF, PORT CHALMERS, and all NORTHERN PORTS.
TARAWERA, 2003 tons, WEDNESDAY, 26th December, via Hobart, at 11 a.m.
TE ANAU, 1652 tons, TUESDAY, 1st January.

SUMMER EXCURSION ARRANGEMENTS, 1883-84.

During DECEMBER, JANUARY, and FEBRUARY return tickets will be issued at REDUCED RATES to all NEW ZEALAND PORTS, entitling passengers to break the journey at any or all ports, en route.

Round Tickets, via Auckland to Melbourne, or vice versa ... £17 0 0
Ditto, Wellington, ditto ditto ... 15 0 0
Sydney to Auckland and return ... 15 0 0

WEST COAST SOUNDS.

The splendid Steamship
TARAWERA, 2003 tons,
will make
TWO SPECIAL EXCURSIONS

from Port Chalmers to the wonderful West Coast Sounds, the first leaving on 9th January returning 18th; the second leaving 19th returning 28th January.

Special facilities will be afforded for organising sketching, sporting, and pleasure parties.

FARES, £10 in addition to ordinary fare.

Tourist Handbooks, Pocket Guides, and Railway Maps for information and guidance of passengers may be had on application to Company's Offices, New Zealand Wharf, Margaret and Sussex streets.

FREDK. W. JACKSON, Manager.

ILLAWARRA S. N. CO.'S STEAMERS

WOLLONGONG.—Monday, Tuesday, and Friday, at 11 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m.; Saturday, 1 p.m. (passengers).
KIAMA.—Monday, Tuesday, and Friday, 11 p.m.
SHOALHAVEN.—Tuesday, Friday, and Monday, 11 p.m.
ULLADULLA.—Friday, 10 a.m.; cargo, 8 a.m.
CLYDE RIVER.—Friday, 10 a.m.; cargo, 8 a.m.
BATEMAN'S BAY.—Friday, 10 a.m. cargo, 8 a.m.
MORUYA.—Monday, at noon.
MERIMBULA.—Wednesday, 10 a.m.; cargo, 8 a.m.; Saturday, 1 p.m.; cargo, 11.
TATHRA (for BEGA).—Wednesday, 10 a.m.; cargo, 8 a.m.; Saturday, 1 p.m.; cargo, 11.
EDEN.—Wednesday, 10 a.m.; cargo, 8 a.m.; Saturday, 1 p.m.; cargo, 11.
BERMAGUI.—Wednesday, 10 a.m.; passengers only.

ILLAWARRA S. N. COMPANY.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR EXCURSIONS.

TICKETS at a SINGLE FARE for the DOUBLE JOURNEY will be issued by this Company between Sydney and the undermentioned ports, as follows:—

MERIMBULA, TATHRA, and EDEN, commencing on WEDNESDAY, 19th DECEMBER, available to 19th JANUARY.

ULLADULLA, CLYDE RIVER, BATEMAN'S BAY, and MORUYA, from 21st DECEMBER to 14th JANUARY.

WOLLONGONG, KIAMA, and SHOALHAVEN, from 21st DECEMBER to 10th JANUARY.

NEWCASTLE.—STEAM TO AND FROM NEWCASTLE.

From H. R. N. S. N. CO.'S WHARF, foot Market-street.

Special Notice to Passengers.

CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR HOLIDAY TRIPS.

For the convenience and comfort of passengers travelling to and from the metropolis during the Christmas and New Year Holidays, the following SPECIAL TRIPS will be run in addition to the regular trips of this Company's steamers.

DAY TRIPS FROM SYDNEY.
Lady Bowen—Sunday, 9 a.m., December 23
Lady Bowen—Sunday, 9 a.m., December 30.

NIGHT TRIPS FROM SYDNEY.
Morpeth—Sunday, 12 p.m. (midnight), December 23
Morpeth—Sunday, 12 p.m. (midnight), December 30.

DAY TRIPS FROM NEWCASTLE.
Maitland—Saturday, 10 a.m., December 22
Morpeth—Monday, 10 a.m., December 24 (Christmas Eve)
Maitland—Saturday, 10 a.m., December 29
Morpeth—Monday, 10 a.m., December 31 (New Year's Eve).

Deck Cabins and Reserved Berths can be secured on early application at the Company's Offices, 147, Sussex-street.

J. W. LEE,
Acting Manager.

STEAM TO NEWCASTLE, MORPETH, RAYMOND TERRACE, &c.

From H. R. N. S. N. COMPANY'S WHARF, foot of Market-street, Sydney.

THIS NIGHT, Saturday, at 11, the MAITLAND.
TO-MORROW (Sunday) MORNING, at 9, the LADY BOWEN.
TO-MORROW (Sunday) NIGHT, at 12, the MORPETH.
On MONDAY NIGHT, at 11, the MORPETH.
On MONDAY NIGHT, at 11, the LADY BOWEN.

Goods will not be received after 3 p.m. THIS DAY, Saturday.

J. W. LEE,
Acting Manager.
Offices, 147, Sussex-street.

NEWCASTLE STEAMSHIP COMPANY, Limited.

STEAM TO NEWCASTLE.

NOTICE TO PASSENGERS.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

In order to provide for the COMFORT OF PASSENGERS travelling between SYDNEY and NEWCASTLE during the holidays, the undermentioned DAY AND NIGHT TRIPS will be run by the favourite passenger steamships
COONANBARA and CITY OF BRISBANE.

FROM LIME-STREET WHARF, SYDNEY:
City of Brisbane, THIS MORNING, Saturday, at 9
Coonanbara, THIS NIGHT, Saturday, at 11
City of Brisbane, TO-MORROW NIGHT, Sunday, at 11
Coonanbara, MONDAY, 9 a.m., December 24
City of Brisbane, MONDAY, 11 p.m., December 24 (Christmas Eve)
Kembla, Monday, 11 p.m., December 24
Coonanbara, TUESDAY, 11 p.m., December 25
City of Brisbane, WEDNESDAY, 9 a.m., December 26
Coonanbara, WEDNESDAY, 11 p.m., December 26
City of Brisbane, THURSDAY, 11 p.m., December 27
Coonanbara, FRIDAY, 11 p.m., December 28
City of Brisbane, SATURDAY, 9 a.m., December 29
Coonanbara, SATURDAY, 11 p.m., December 29
City of Brisbane, SUNDAY, 11 p.m., December 30
Coonanbara, MONDAY, 11 p.m., December 31 (New Year's Eve)
City of Brisbane, TUESDAY, 11 p.m., January 1.

DECK CABINS and RESERVED BERTHS can be SECURED at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, LIME-STREET; also at BRANCH OFFICE, York-street, next Opera House, from 9 a.m. till 10.30 p.m. Parcels will be received and small packages luggage can be left there up to 3 p.m.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

Cargo for Newcastle, Raymond Terrace, and Morpeth received THIS DAY.

Clarence Town and Paterson cargo received THIS DAY. Freight payable in Sydney.

Bonded goods not received after 12, other goods not after 3 p.m.

J. C. BROWN, Acting Manager.

NEWCASTLE STEAMSHIP COMPANY, Limited.

STEAM TO AND FROM NEWCASTLE ON BOXING DAY.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO PASSENGERS.

The Steamship CITY OF BRISBANE will leave SYDNEY on WEDNESDAY MORNING NEXT, at 9, and NEWCASTLE the SAME NIGHT at 11.

J. C. BROWN,
Acting Manager.

THE CLARENCE AND RICHMOND RIVERS S. N. COMPANY'S STEAMSHIPS.

CITY OF GRAFTON, for GRAFTON, TUESDAY (CHRISTMAS) NIGHT, at 9.

QUEEN OF THE SOUTH, for MACLEAY RIVER, MONDAY NIGHT, at 9.

TOMKI, for RICHMOND RIVER, MONDAY NIGHT, at 12.

JOHN WHITE, Secretary.
Company's Wharf, Sussex-street.

MACLEAY RIVER.

QUEEN OF THE SOUTH,
MONDAY NIGHT, at 9.
JOHN WHITE, Secretary.
C. and R. R. S. N. Company.

RICHMOND RIVER.

FIRST STEAMER.

The Favourite
S.S. TOMKI,
now loading.

MONDAY NIGHT, at 12.

The TOMKI will positively sail MONDAY, as advertised. This vessel, being especially suited for shallow bar harbours, and of extremely light draught, is able to deliver cargo at all the usual places on the river, without risk of loss or damage by transhipment into punts or lighters at the heads.

Separate State-rooms for Gentlemen.

Large and well-ventilated Saloon on Deck for Ladies.

JOHN WHITE, Secretary.
C. and R. R. S. N. Co., Sydney.

STEAM TO THE BRUNSWICK AND TWEED DIRECT.

The fine new steamer
BRUNSWICK
will sail from the Market Wharf for the Tweed, on
MONDAY NEXT, the 24th instant,
landing cargo at Byron Bay and the Brunswick.

A. KETHEL, Market Wharf.

GRAFTON, CLARENCE RIVER.

S.S. HELEN NICOLL
will leave the Market Wharf, Market-street,
THIS (Saturday) NIGHT, at 9,
leaving Grafton for Sydney WEDNESDAY MORNING.

S.S. AUSTRALIAN,
TUESDAY NIGHT, at 9.

Return tickets available by either steamer.
Superior accommodation for passengers.
Horse-boxes provided.

NIPPER and SEE,
129, Sussex-street.

MANNING RIVER.

S.S. ROSEDALE
will leave the Market Wharf, Market-street,
WEDNESDAY NEXT, at 10 a.m.,
Excursion fares now issued at £2 return, available for one month.

NIPPER and SEE,
129, Sussex-street.

GOSFORD, Peat's Ferry, Millet Creek, Hawkesbury River.—The P.R.S. Co. will run Special Excursions to and from the above places on MONDAY, TUESDAY, and THURSDAY next. Gosford return 5s, Peat's Ferry 6s.

PEAT'S FERRY and MULLET CREEK Railway Works.—Special Steamer will be laid on from King-street at 1.30 p.m., and No. 4 Jetty at 2 p.m., on Saturday, 22nd instant; return ticket, available either way up to 27th instant. Fare, 6s.

HAWKESBURY RIVER.—S.S. Defiance leaves King-st., Thursday, 7.30 a.m., No. 4 Jetty 8. Calling all wharfs.

HAWKESBURY RIVER and Windsor Excursion, via Manly and Newport, Friday. Book Maddock, George-st.

GOSFORD.—Steamer leaves King-st. on Mon., Tues., Thursday, and Saturday, at 7.30 a.m., No. 4 Jetty at 8 a.m.

PEAT'S FERRY.—Steamer leaves King-st. Whf. on Mon., Tues., and Thurs., at 7.30 a.m., No. 4 Jetty 8 a.m.

GOSFORD.—Special Steamer will leave King-street on Christmas Day, 7.30; No. 4 Jetty 8. Return fare, 5s.

GOSFORD, MONDAY.

JENNY LIND, Bogan, master,
8 a.m., floating stage, Circular Quay, returning from Gosford
1.30 p.m.
R. JAMIESON, Agent,
Circular Quay.

HAWKESBURY RIVER.—Excursions for every SATURDAY. See Wednesday's Herald for time-table.

GOSFORD, Brisbane Water.—The S.S. Promise will leave MONDAY, 24th, at 8, instead of Tuesday, the 25th.

GOSFORD, BRISBANE WATER.

The favourite S.S. PROMISE will leave Patent Slip Wharf daily, at 8 a.m., except Mondays, leaving Gosford at 1.30 p.m. Freight payable in Sydney.

HAWKESBURY RIVER.—Amoss Railway Works and Mullet Island Creek.—S.S. METEOR leaves Woolloomooloo THIS DAY and MONDAY, at 8 a.m. Return same day.

MANLY BEACH,
the most Beautiful Watering Place near Sydney.

SATURDAY.

The magnificent Saloon Steamer Brighton and the favourite steamers Fairlight and Emu will, weather permitting, run as follows:—

From Sydney.				From Manly.			
7.15	10.15+	3.30	6.15	7.15	10.30	2.15	6.30
9	11.30	4.30	9	8.10	12	4.45	8.0
	1.30	5.30	11.15	8.45	12.30	5+	10.0
	2.30+					5.30	

+ Calling at Woolloomooloo.

Return Fares, 1s; Children, half-price. Dogs, 6d.; Return, 9d.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNORS.

The Directors will not guarantee to carry freight unless it is delivered at the wharf at least 15 minutes before the departure of the steamer, and not later than 3.15 p.m.

No freight received on Saturdays after 10 a.m.

Consignors are particularly requested to take notice that loose hay and straw cannot be shipped.

Cheap Trips. Return Journey at Single Fares.

SUNDAY TIME TABLE.

From Sydney.			From Manly.		
10.15	2.30	5.45	9	2	5.30
11	2.45		12	5	

Woolloomooloo, 10.30 a.m., 2.45 p.m.

MANLY BEACH.
The most Beautiful Watering Place near Sydney.

TO PERSONS DESIRING A SEASIDE RESIDENCE.

On and after the 1st day of JANUARY, 1881, the Port Jackson Steamship Company, Limited, will grant a FREE PASS on their steamers running to and from Manly, for FIVE YEARS, to any person BUILDING A HOUSE at Manly the cost of which is not to be less than ONE THOUSAND POUNDS.

HUNTER'S HILL and LANE COVE RIVER STEAMERS LEAVE

LIME-STREET, at 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 1.15, 2.15, 4.15, 5.15, 6.15, 7.15.

LANE COVE at 7, 8, 8.50, 10, 11, 12, 1.15, 2.15, 4.15, 5.15, 6.15, 7.15.

SUNDAYS.—LIME-STREET, 10, 11, 2.30, 2.45, 6.15, 7.15.

LANE COVE, 9, 12, 1, 5.15, 6, 7.15.

Extra on THURSDAYS and SATURDAYS, Lime-street, 11.15 p.m. Lane Cove, 10 p.m. Fare, 1s.

ON CHRISTMAS DAY WILL PLY AS ON SUNDAY.

PARRAMATTA AND RIVER STEAMERS AND TRAMWAY.

REDUCED FARES AND INCREASED TRIPS THIS DAY.

Times having asterisk (*) affixed go to and from 4 Jetty, Cir. Quay, the others from King-street.

For PARRAMATTA, &c.: 6.30, 9, 10*, 11 a.m.; 1.15, 2*, 3, 5.5 p.m.

RYDE: 6.30, 9, 10*, 11 a.m.; 1.15, 2*, 3, 5.5, 7, 11.15 p.m.

GLADESVILLE: 6.30, 9, 10, 10*, 11 a.m.; 12.20, 1.15, 2*, 3, 4.15, 5.5, 6.15, 7, 9.30, 11.15

FIVE DOCK, ASHFIELD, &c.: 6.30, 10, 12.30, 1.15, 4.15, 6.15, 9.30.

HUNTER'S HILL and COCKATOO: 6.30, 9, 10, 10*, 11 a.m.; 12.30, 1.15, 2*, 3, 4.15, 5.5, 6.15, 7, 7.30, 9.30, 11.15 p.m.

DRUMMOYNE PARK: 6.30, 10, 10*, 11 a.m.; 2*, 3, 6.15.

Returning

From PARRAMATTA, PARK GATE: 6.55, 8, 11, 12*, 1, 3, 4, 5.

RYDE: 7.40, 8.45*, 9.40, 11.40 a.m.; 12.40*, 1.40, 3.40, 4.40, 5.40.

FIVE DOCK: 7.45, 8.30, 11 a.m.; 2.45, 5.5, 7.15 p.m.

BURWOOD: 7.50, 8.30, 11.5 a.m.; 2.50, 5.10, 7.20

GLADESVILLE: 8, 8.40, 9.5*, 10, 11.15, 12 a.m.; 1*, 2, 3, 4, 5, 5.15, 6, 7.25

VILLA MARIA: 6.50, 8, 8.55, 10, 12; 2, 4, 6, 6.40, 10.10.

HUNTER'S HILL: 6.15, 7.5, 8.15, 9, 9.30*, 10.15, 11.30, 12.15, 1.15*, 2.15, 3.15, 4.15, 5.15, 5.55, 6.15, 7.35, 8.45, 10.15.

ON SUNDAY.

KING-STREET to PARRAMATTA, RYDE, ERMINGTON, NEWINGTON, &c.: 9.15, 11; 2.15, 3, 6.15 p.m.

HUNTER'S HILL, FITZROY DOCK, and GLADESVILLE: 9.15, 10, 11 a.m.; 1, 2.15, 3, 5, 6.15, 9.30 p.m.

VILLA MARIA: 10 a.m.

FIVE DOCK, ASHFIELD, BURWOOD: 10; 1, 2.15, 5, 9.30.

Returning

From PARRAMATTA, PARK GATE: 7, 9, 11.15, a.m.; 1, 4.15, 6 p.m.

RYDE: 7.40, 9.40, 11.50 a.m.; 1.40, 4.50, 6.40 p.m.

FIVE DOCK: 8.35, 11 a.m.; 3.20, 6 p.m.

BURWOOD: 8.40, 11.5 a.m.; 3.35, 6.5 p.m.

GLADESVILLE: 8, 8.45, 10, 11.15; 12.15, 2, 3.45, 5.15, 6.15, 7.

VILLA MARIA: 4 p.m.

HUNTER'S HILL: 8.15, 9.10, 10.15, 11.30 a.m.; 12.30, 2.15, 4.5, 5.30, 6.25, 7.15 p.m.

COCKATOO: 8.25, 9.20, 10.25, 11.40 a.m.; 12.40, 2.25, 4.15, 5.40, 6.30, 7.25 p.m.

CHEAP FARES THIS DAY.
RETURN TICKETS AT SINGLE FARES.
HUNTER'S HILL, 1st cl., 9d; 2nd, 6d RETURN TICKETS.
PARRAMATTA—THIRTY MILES FOR ONE SHILLING.—1ST CLASS RETURN, 1s 6d; 2ND CLASS RETURN, 1s.
TRAMWAY FARES, 3d.

PARRAMATTA RIVER STEAMERS and PARK TRAMWAY.—Most delightful trip out of Sydney, quick, cheap and pleasant in every way. Steamers from King-street, 6.30, 9, 11, 1, 3, 5; No. 4 Jetty, 10, 2. Return tickets single fares TO-DAY. TO-MORROW, from King-street, 9.15, 11, 2.15, 3, 6.15. It is a good time to go at 5.5 any day. See the EXHIBITION in the Park, and enjoy the music in the evening.

WATSON'S BAY REGULAR STEAM FERRY COMPANY'S favourite steamers Swansea, Victor, and Golden Rose will (one or other) leave No. 3 Jetty, Circular Quay, for Watson's Bay 8.45, 10.15, 11.30 a.m., 2.15, 3.15, 4.15, and 6 p.m. (on Saturday 1.30 and 2.30 p.m.); on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, 9 p.m.; on Tuesdays and Saturdays, 11.30 p.m. From Woolloomooloo, 7 and 10.50 a.m., 2.30 p.m. From Watson's Bay, 8.15, 11.45 a.m., 12.30 3, 4, 5, and 6.30 p.m.; on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, 9.45 p.m.; on Tuesday and Saturday, 11.30 p.m. (weather permitting). 1s return ticket, 1s.

FOR WATSON'S BAY,
on SUNDAY and CHRISTMAS DAY.

The favourite steamers Swansea, Victor, and Golden Rose will (one or other) leave No. 3 Jetty, Circular Quay, for Watson's Bay, 10, 10.45, 11, and 11.30 a.m.; 2, 2.45, 3, 3.30, and 5.15 p.m. From Watson's Bay, 8.15 a.m., 12 noon, 12.30, 4.45, and 5.30 p.m.

On CHRISTMAS DAY, first trip from No. 3 Jetty 6.45 a.m., calling at Woolloomooloo 7 a.m.

N.B.—Note No. 3 Jetty.

HARMER'S WATSON'S BAY STEAM FERRY.—New steamers MASCOTTE, CRUISER, GARNET, and ELAINE daily leave No. 2 Jetty, Circular Quay, 6.30, 10.15, 11.15, 1.30, 2.15, 4.15, 5.55; Woolloomooloo, 6.45, 10.30, 2.30; leave Watson's Bay 8.15, 11.30, 3, 5, 6.30. Return fare, 1s.

On SUNDAYS above Steamers leave No. 2 Jetty, 9.30, and every half-hour up to 3.30; last trip from Watson's Bay, 5.15. Return, 6d. W. J. HARMER, Manager.

TO THE HEAD OF MIDDLE HARBOUR on SUNDAY.—Steamers Admiral and Prince of Wales will leave the Circular Quay (the new Government Jetty, foot of Phillip-street), at 2.30 p.m., Woolloomooloo Bay 2.45, landing passengers at the head of the river. Native roses and waratahs in abundance. Return fare, 1s. W. WATERHOUSE.

MIDDLE HARBOUR.—The s.s. MARY leaves John-street, Pyrmont, at 2 p.m., and Woolloomooloo at 2.30 p.m., TO-MORROW, Sunday, for Middle Harbour and Bantry Bay. Return 1s.

M. BYRNES.

CLONTARF and HEAD of MIDDLE HARBOUR, on SUNDAY.

The splendid new Steamer LEVERET will leave new jetty, foot of Phillip-street, Circular Quay, 10.15, 2.15; Woolloomooloo, 2.30; Clontarf, 12 and 5. Return, 1s.

BOTANY BAY AND GEORGE'S RIVER STEAMERS.

Steamer YOUNG MAT leaves Botany Pier every day during the Christmas Holidays at 11.30 a.m., 3.30 p.m., and 6.20 p.m.

BOXING DAY, 10.30, 12.30, 2.30, calling at Sandringham, Sans Souci, and Womora, Tom Ugly's Point. Return fare, 2s.

BALMAIN TO CLONTARF.

The BALMAIN, steamer, leaves ERSKINE-STREET every Sunday, at 2.15 p.m., for CLONTARF, calling at DARLING-STREET, MORT'S DOCK, 2.30 p.m., and SNAIL'S BAY, returning at 4.45 p.m. Return ticket, one shilling.

CHOWDER BAY.—S.S. METEOR leaves Woolloomooloo at 10.30, 11.30 a.m., 2.30 p.m.; Chowder, 5 and 6 p.m. Return fare, 6d; not calling at Circular Quay.

A TRIP round the Harbour and head of Middle Harbour this afternoon and Monday.—S.S. Mascotte or Telephone will leave No. 2 Jetty, Circular Quay, 2.30; return fare, 1s. W. J. Harmer, manager.

FOR NAMBUCCRA RIVER.—Schooner ELIZA ALLAN, Fagan's Wharf, THIS DAY, noon. P. Hogan, agent.

FOR NEWCASTLE, schooner SANTA CRUZ. For freight apply City Iron Works, Pyrmont.

BELLINGER RIVER.—Ketch Berlinder This Day. Freights paid Sydney. Cowper Wharf, Woolloomooloo.

FOR LONDON.

TO CATCH MAY WOOL SALES.

DALLAM TOWER,
1499 tons register, classed AA1 at Lloyd's,
T. F. GILMORE, Commander.

Accommodation for 8 Cabin Passengers. Surgeon on board.

This vessel completed her last passage from London in 82 days.

Has large wool engagements and is filling fast.

PEELE, BORRADAILE, and CO., Agents,
Bank-chambers, George-street.

Wool received at Central Wharf.

FOR LONDON.

The Splendid A1 Clipper Ship
TRAFALGAR,
1429 Tons Register,
D. Moir, Commander.

Having already a considerable quantity of wool in store, together with large engagements, will be despatched about the 30th instant.

This magnificent ship is specially fitted for passengers, having splendid saloon cabins, completely furnished, with bedding, bath and smoking room, and in fact every other requisite. The second-class accommodation is also of a very superior description.

For freight or passage apply to the Captain, on board, or to

DANGAR, GEDYE, and CO.

Wool received at Flood and Co.'s.

FOR LONDON.

FOR MAY WOOL SALES.

The magnificent Clipper Ship,
WESTERN MONARCH,
1315 Tons Register, 100 A1 at Lloyd's.
T. WOOD, Commander.

This splendid vessel, having all her dead weight and a large portion of her tallow on board, and a considerable quantity of wool in store, besides large engagements, will be despatched in ample time for the above sales.

For rates of freight, apply to

YOUNG and LARK, Agents.

Wool received at Talbot's Stores.

FOR LONDON,

The magnificent Clipper Ship
SMYRNA,
A1 at Lloyd's, 1305 tons,
ROBERT JAMIESON, Commander,

will leave early in January. The attention of intending passengers is requested to the saloon accommodation. Having a considerable portion of her cargo on board, she will have punctual despatch. Early application for the remaining space is necessary to

DALGETY, BLACKWOOD, and CO.,
5, Bent-street.

Cargo received at Parbury's wharf.

THE ABERDEEN LINE FOR LONDON

The undersigned will despatch the undermentioned vessels as above, in the following order:—

Name.	Tons.	Master.	To sail.
Christiana Thompson	1087	R. Murray	December.
Jerusalem	980	M. Breach	January.
Pericles	1598	J. Largie	January.
Sophocles	1020	A. Smith	February.

To be followed by other first-class ships.

MONTEFIORE, JOSEPH, and CO.,
4, O'Connell-street.

FOR LONDON.

With prompt despatch.

The favourite Aberdeen clipper ship,
ABERGELDIE,
1152 tons register,
R. Johnston, commander.

This vessel, having the greater portion of her cargo engaged, will be promptly despatched; and, having been newly coppered, shippers may rely on a fast passage home being made.

For freight, &c., apply to the Captain, on board; or to

MASON BROTHERS, Agents.

TO PASSENGERS FOR LONDON.

The splendid clipper ship
ELLORA,
will sail on SATURDAY, 29th instant, and affords an unusual opportunity to first-class passengers. Inspection of the really superior accommodation invited.

PASSAGE MONEY, 35 guineas.

For passage apply to Captain CLAYTON, on board, at the Circular Quay, Pitt-street; or to

MASON BROTHERS, Agents.

THE ABERDEEN LINE.—FOR LONDON.

The Clipper Ship
JERUSALEM,
900 tons register, M. BREACH, Commander,
is now loading as above, and will have prompt despatch.

For terms of freight apply to

MONTEFIORE, JOSEPH, and CO.

Wool received at Talbot's.

FOR LONDON.
Via Cape of Good Hope.

Devitt and Moore's Line.

PARRAMATTA,
1521 tons register,
W. GODDARD, Commander.

To meet the demand of passengers travelling for the benefit of their health and requiring a long sea voyage, the above well-known passenger ship will be despatched end of JANUARY, via Cape of Good Hope and St Helena.

For freight and passage apply to

ALFRED LAMB and CO.,
Agents.

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The Lessee respectfully announces that arrangements have been perfected for the inauguration of a Special Dramatic Season, commencing

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Supported by the most powerful Company in Australia.

First Production on the Sydney Stage of the entirely original and wondrously successful Anglo-Australian Drama, in 5 acts and 8 tableaux, entitled

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Intermission of Ten Minutes.
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Dennis Mulcahey	Mr. Martin Hagan
Reverend Mr. Brown	Mr. Add Ryman
Tim O'Brien	Mr. Sam Howard
Charley Lovelace	Mr. Frank Stephens
Jimmy Matches	Mr. Thomas Tyrell
Mrs. Muldoon	Mrs. T. Ford
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CHRISTMAS AFTERNOON, December 25th, 1883.

YOUNG AUSTRALIAN BAND
will perform at 3 p.m.

PROGRAMME:

1. March of Israelites (from Costa's Oratorio, "Eli").	
2. Christmas Hymn—Adeste Fideles	Novello
3. Grand Selection—"Judas Maccabæus"	Handel
4. Priere a Marie	Gounod
5. Grand Selection—"Reminiscences of Verdi" (arranged by R. Smith)	
6. Valse—"Ehren on the Rhine"	W. Hutchison
Fantasia—"Battle of Tel-el-Kebir"	Dr. Spark

J. R. HARDY,
Bandmaster.

GRAND FREE CONCERT and Public MEETING will be held THIS EVENING, in the Temperance Hall, Pitt-street, under the auspices of Grand Lodge of New South Wales I. O. G. T. Chair to be taken at 8 p.m. by Bro. G. H. Wigley, G.W.C.T.
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WILLIAMSON, GARNER, and MUSGROVE'S
ROYAL COMIC OPERA COMPANY.

Excuse me, then, you know my heart;
But dearest friends, alas, must part.

In returning thanks to the public of Sydney for their kind support during the present (the MOST PROSPEROUS SEASON EVER GIVEN IN SYDNEY), the directors have to express their regret that

THIS (Saturday) EVENING, DECEMBER 22,
is positively
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THE LAST NIGHT.
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THEATRE ROYAL.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24.
The Theatre will be CLOSED for Final Dress Rehearsal of
THE GRAND CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME.

BOXING NIGHT.

The Grand Comic Xmas
PANTOMIME
of
JACK AND THE BEANSTALK,
and
SEE-SAW, MARGERY DAW,
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HARLEQUIN MAN IN THE MOON,
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and
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COMEDIANS,
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also, the whole of the
EXCELLENT OPERA CHORUS
and
WILL SIMPSON,
the Popular Clown, from Drury Lane Theatre, London.

Full particulars shortly.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

The THEATRE ROYAL WILL BE CLOSED from SATURDAY, December 22nd, until BOXING NIGHT, during which time GREAT ALTERATIONS will be made for the accommodation of patrons, including the entire RE-SEATING, CARPETING, and DECORATING the whole of the Ground Floor of the Theatre.

In order to ensure greater comfort, and in obedience to the universal desire of Visitors to the STALLS, the NUMBER of ADMISSIONS will be LIMITED EACH EVENING, every patron being enabled to occupy a separate armed seat, but the price of admission to this popular part of the theatre will remain as at present—3s—and the PIT WILL BE DISPENSED WITH.

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PUNCH and DEEBLE TROPHY.—The steamer Prince of Wales will leave new jetty 3 p.m.

PUNCH and DEEBLE'S TROPHY THIS DAY.—Steamer EXCELSIOR will leave Bald Rock, Balmain, 2.45 p.m.; Erskine-street, Sydney, 3 p.m.; Cove-street and Figtree Point, 3.30 p.m., to view the race. Fare, 1s.

Office of the Marine Board of New South Wales,
12th December, 1883.

REFERRING to the Harbour Regulations of the 7th November, 1883, it is hereby notified for general information that the steamers LEVERET (to convey the members of the press) and ADMIRAL (to carry the umpire) have been duly authorised by the Marine Board to follow the boat races in connection with the PUNCH and DEEBLE TROPHY, to take place on the Parramatta River, on SATURDAYS, the 15th and 22nd instant.

By order.
GEO. S. LINDEMAN, Secretary.

SNAIL'S BAY AMATEUR REGATTA.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 12, 1884.

PROGRAMME:

FIRST RACE.—To start at 2 p.m.
All Half-decked Boats, handicapped; crews limited to 6 amateurs. Course: From Sugar Works Bay round Flagship, round Shark Island, round Flagship, round Fort Denison, and back round Flagship. Entrance, £1. Prizes, trophies.

SECOND RACE.—To start at 2.30.
Open Boats, 20 feet and upwards, not exceeding 22 feet in length, and not less than 2 feet deep; handicapped; crew limited to 5 amateurs. Course: From Sugar Works Bay round Flagship, round Goat Island, round Flagship, round Shark Island, and back round Flagship. Entrance, 10s. First prize, trophy; second prize, trophy.

THIRD RACE.—To start at 2.45.
Maiden Double Sculls, in club skiffs, open to members of rowing clubs. Course: From head of Snail's Bay round Goat Island and back to Flagship. Prize, trophies. Entrance, 5s.

FOURTH RACE.—To start at 3 p.m.
Open Boats under Canvas, not exceeding 24 feet in length, and not less than 7 feet beam, and 3 feet deep. Course: From Sugar Works Bay round Flagship, round Fort Denison, round Shark Island, and back round Flagship. First prize, trophy; second prize, trophy. Entrance, 10s.

FIFTH RACE.—To start at 3.15 p.m.
Skiffs under Canvas, not exceeding 19 feet; no boat to rank less than 17 feet; time allowance, 3 minutes per foot. Course: From Sugar Works Bay round Flagship, round Fort Denison, round Flagship, round Fort Denison, and back round Flagship. Entrance, 10s. First prize, trophy; second prize, trophy.

SIXTH RACE.—To start at 3.15 p.m.
Senior Scullers, in Wager Boats. Course: From head of Snail's Bay round boat off Ball's Head, round powder boats and back to Flagship. Trophies. Entrance, 10s.

SEVENTH RACE.—To start at 3.30 p.m.
Dingies under Canvas, not exceeding 16 feet in length, 5 feet beam, and 20 inches deep. Course: Same as No. 5. Entrance, 10s. First prize, trophy; second prize, trophy.

EIGHTH RACE.—To start at 3.45.
Dingies under Canvas, not exceeding 14 feet. Course: From Sugar Works Bay round Flagship, round Fort Denison, round Flagship, round Goat Island, and back round Flagship. Entrance, 5s. First prize, trophy; second prize, trophy.

NINTH RACE.—To start at 4 p.m.
Senior Double Sculls in Club Skiffs, open to members of rowing clubs. Course: Same as No. 3. Trophies. Entrance, 10s.

TENTH RACE.—To start at 4.15 p.m.
Canvas Dingies, not exceeding 14 feet: time allowance, 2 minutes per foot, no boat to rank less than 12 feet. Course: Same as No. 8. Entrance, 5s. First prize, trophy; second prize, trophy; third prize, trophy.

ELEVENTH RACE.—To start at 4.30 p.m.
Vernon Cutters. Course: Same as No. 6. Prize, £5.

TWELFTH RACE.—To start at 5 p.m.
Maiden Oarsmen in stringtest Gigs; for members of rowing clubs. Course: Same as No. 3. Entrance 10s. Prizes, trophies.

THIRTEENTH RACE.—To start at 5.15.
Residents of Balmain, pulling double sculls in licensed waterman's skiffs (working on ferries, and to be approved of by committee); for those who have never won a race at any recognised regatta. Course: Same as No. 6. Prizes, trophies. Entrance, 5s.

FOURTEENTH RACE.—To start at 5.30.
Tub Race, in fancy costumes, for those who have never won an advertised tub race. Twice round Flagship. Prize, £3. Entrance, 2s 6d.

Balmain Regatta Rules will be adopted in all cases.

Entries will be received at PUNCH and DEEBLE's Hotel, SATURDAY EVENING, January 5th, 1884, at 8 o'clock.

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GAIETY THEATRE.

TO-NIGHT. TO-NIGHT. TO-NIGHT.
Saturday, December 22. Re-appearance of the
MONTAGUE-TURNER ENGLISH OPERA COMPANY
in Balfe's Romantic Opera the
BOHEMIAN GIRL,
with the following cast of characters:—

ARLINE	Miss ANNIS MONTAGUE
COUNT ARNHEIM	Signor G. VERDI
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Devilshoof	Mr. J. Gordon
Gipsy	Mr. T. Grundy
GIPSY QUEEN	Miss E. SHERWIN
Buda	Miss Mabel Penrose
THADEUS	Mr. CHARLES TURNER.

Huntsmen, gipsies, nobles, soldiers, &c., by a large staff of auxiliaries.

The ballet incidental to the opera by the Misses Peatly, Wilson, and Le Burns.

New scenery by Mr. W. KINCHELA.
Mechanical effects by Mr. A. POOLE. Properties by Mr. MARKS and assistants.

GRAND ORCHESTRA and FULL CHORUS, under the able conductorship of Mons. LEON CARON.

The Bohemian Girl will be Repeated on MONDAY, December 24, WEDNESDAY, 26.

NOTE.—The whole of the GAIETY THEATRE has been REDECORATED and UPHOLSTERED, under the joint supervision of Messrs. TORNING and RUSSELL.

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, and SATURDAY, 27th, 28th, 29th,
Vincent Wallace's evergreen
MARITANA.

On TUESDAY, December 25th (CHRISTMAS NIGHT), a GRAND SACRED CONCERT will be given by the principal chorus and orchestra of the MONTAGUE-TURNER OPERA COMPANY, at the Gaiety Theatre. Full programme published in Monday's daily papers.

In active rehearsal, Victor Massé's romantic opera,
PAUL AND VIRGINIA.

The Furniture used on the stage is from the Globe Furnishing Company's establishment.

Prices of Admission:—Orchestra Chairs, 5s; Stalls, 3s; Front Balcony, 3s; Gallery, 1s; Private Boxes, £2 2s.

Box Office at Paling's, where seats may be secured.

H. TREVORAH, Business Agent.

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Under the management of the Committee of the A. J. C.

PROGRAMME.

The HURDLE RACE, of 100 sovs., to start at 12.30 p.m.
LUNCHEON.
The DECEMBER STAKES, of 250 sovs., to start at 1.45 p.m.
The SUMMER CUP, of 500 sovs., to start at 2.30 p.m.
The SELLING PLATE, of 150 sovs., to start at 3.15 p.m.
The TWO-YEARS-OLD PLATE, of 100 sovs., to start at 4 p.m.
The A. J. C. HANDICAP, of 150 sovs., to start at 4.45 p.m.

Professional Trainers can obtain tickets for themselves and their Jockeys on MONDAY, the 24th December, up to 4 o'clock p.m.

Members can obtain extra Ladies' Ticket, free of charge, until 4 p.m. on 24th December.

A Red Flag will be hoisted behind the Judge's Box after each race immediately the horse passing the post first has been declared the winner.

T. S. CLIBBORN,
Secretary A. J. C.

TATTERSALL'S ANNUAL RACE MEETING.

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FIRST RACE starts at 12.45 p.m.

The RIGHT to the ENTRANCE GATES, ST. LEGER RESERVE, BOOTHS, &c., will be sold by auction by Mr. Kiss, at his Bazaar, on THURSDAY, 27th instant.

JAMES PERRY,
Sec. Tattersall's Club.

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BOXING DAY.

UNRIVALLED ATTRACTION.

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FAIRLIGHT
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COMMODORE
will leave
Circular Quay, No. 1 Jetty, 10.15, 11, 2.30, 2.45, 3, 5.45.
Woolloomooloo, 10.30, 2.45.
Manly Beach, 9, 12, 2, 5, 5.30.

Fare, return ticket, 1s 6d; children, 1s.

SYDNEY PROGRESSIVE LYCEUM.

SIXTH ANNIVERSARY.

ANNUAL PICNIC
to
CLONTARF
on
CHRISTMAS DAY,
25th December,
1883.

The steamer Leveret
will
leave the Government Jetty, Circular Quay,
at 9.30, 11 a.m.; 12.30 and 3 p.m.
for
Clontarf.

NEW PAVILION IS ENGAGED.

String Band and Brass Band.

Tickets, 2s each—return.

SELECT TEMPERANCE PICNIC

to the
AVENUE, LANE COVE RIVER,
on
BOXING DAY, 26th December.

The Pyrmont Band playing in the Pavilion.

Quoits, Swings, Cricket, &c.

Hot and cold water free.

Temperance Refreshments at moderate rates.

Steamers from Lime-street Wharf every half-hour.
Entrance, including steamer fare: Adults, 1s; Children, 6d; admittance to the Pavilion 1s 6d extra.

BONDI BEACH, BONDI.

BOXING DAY.

DANCING AT PACIFIC PAVILION.

The EXCELSIOR BRASS BAND engaged; cannot be excelled for first-class music. The best place to spend the day is at Bondi Pavilion; the grandest and romantic scenery from the balcony, overlooking Rose Bay and the Pacific Ocean. Billiards, skittles, swings, &c. Admission, 2s 6d each; children, 1s.
'Buses to meet trams.

GRAND EXCURSION ON BOXING DAY. The S. SOPHIA ANN will leave Caledonian Wharf at 9.30 a.m. for the HAWKESBURY, landing passengers and returning same day. Refreshments to be obtained on board.
Fare, 5s.
JENNINGS, PICKERING, and CO.,
54, Bathurst-street.

THE AVENUE RECREATION GROUNDS

of the
LANE COVE RIVER,
OPEN for ENGAGEMENT for Schools and Private Parties.
Steamers provided at moderate rates.
N. JOUBERT,
Lime-street Wharf.

CLONTARF. CLONTARF. CLONTARF.

BOXING DAY. BOXING DAY.
GRAND GALA DAY.
FAMILY PICNIC. FAMILY PICNIC.
Metropolitan Band.
Dancing in NEW PAVILION; admission, 1s.
Dancing in Old Pavilion FREE.
Steamers LEVERET, COMMODORE, and GLENELG. Return, 2s; children, 1s.

FANCY DRESS BALLS.—Fancy Costumes for SALE or Hire, 88, Campbell-street, Surry Hills.

BOXING DAY.—Land SALE at LITTLE COOGEE. Call for Litho. Thos. O'Toole, 112, Pitt-street.

COOGEE PARK Sale THIS DAY. Trams at 1.30 and 2 p.m. SMITH, CHAPMAN, and SMITH.

A SPECIAL DAY, TO-DAY, at the Royal Furnishing Arcade. Open this afternoon and evening.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.

Lessee... ... ... W. H. Thompson.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26,

GRAND OPENING NIGHT
of
THOMPSON'S COLOSSAL MIRROR OF THE EGYPTIAN WAR.

The LANDSCAPES PAINTED
by the
CELEBRATED ARTIST, Mr. GEO. GORDON,
The BATTLE SCENE
by
Mr. T. R. ASHTON,
and
pronounced by the Melbourne press to be the
MOST ARTISTIC ENTERTAINMENT
ever offered to the public.
Notwithstanding the enormous expense attending the production
of
this Diorama,
Thompson's
LAVISH DISTRIBUTION
of
CHRISTMAS
and
NEW YEAR'S GIFTS
will take place, at the discretion of the proprietor, without the slightest element of chance being introduced,
EVERY EVENING.

LECTURER: W. H. THOMPSON.
Agent: H. EASTWOOD.

THOMPSON'S COLOSSAL MIRROR OF THE EGYPTIAN WAR.

Messrs. George Gordon and G. R. Ashton have just completed a moving panorama of the more remarkable incidents of the Egyptian War, consisting of 10 tableaux of sufficiently large dimensions to admit of the effective treatment of the landscape and architectural subjects, which are from the pencil of the first-named artist, and of the dramatic presentation of the military scenes for which Mr. Ashton's services have been called into requisition. Both gentlemen have co-operated in the production of a series of views which can scarcely fail to become popular, no less on account of the high artistic quality of their execution than from the interest which is generally felt in that brief and brilliant campaign. The first composition shows us refugees of all nations hurrying from Alexandria in anticipation of the bombardment; then an extremely accurate picture of one of the principal streets in that city, after it had been partly reduced to ashes. To these succeed the embarkation of troops on board the Orient, with crowds of spectators assembled on the pier; an ironclad railway train halting at the Ramleh station, where it is attacked by skirmishers; a reconnaissance in force; and a powerfully painted picture of the Sphinx, with its sad, solemn eyes, and vast tranquil face, "unchangeable in the midst of change," lit up by the crimson glow of sunset, while the hush of evening falls suddenly upon the great wide desert. Next comes a spirited representation of the charge of the Household Cavalry at Kassassin; and, by way of contrast, a grand troopship ploughing her way across the Bitter Lakes; followed by an animated pourtrayal of the gallant charge of the Highland Brigade at Tel-el-Kebir, when these brave fellows rushed forward without firing upon the enemy's entrenchment, and carried it, after a hand-to-hand conflict of a desperate and terrible character. From this deadly encounter we are next transported to the beautiful hypæthral temple of Isis, popularly known as "Pharaoh's bed," on the island of Philæ, a structure combining Attic elegance with Egyptian majesty. Its graceful pillars are reflected in the waters of the Nile, and the atmosphere is full of the warmth and the brilliancy of region. A moonlight view on the river is poetically treated, and is one of the most attractive compositions of the series. To it succeeds a panoramic view of the city of Cairo, from the citadel, embracing all the picturesque features of the place—the domes and minarets of its numerous mosques, its interminable bazaars, its balconies, archways, and porches, its sandy squares and flat roofs, and looming in the purple distance, like the peaks of mountains, the stupendous pyramids of Ghizeh. This admirable picture is followed by a more ad captandum representation of the explosion at the railway station in that city; after which we have the triumphal entry of the British troops, with Sir Garnet (now Lord) Wolseley and the Duke of Connaught at their head, into the citadel at Cairo. And then, by way of an impressive interlude, Mr. Gordon takes us to one of those grand avenues, in that forest of gigantic columns, which render the ruins of Karnak the most imposing of all the architectural remains or Rnamses-Meiamoun, on the Nile. And finally we have the review of the victorious troops, on their return to England, by her Majesty in St. James' Park; and very mean, meagre, and mesquin does the architecture of the Horse Guards, and even of the Houses of Parliament, look by comparison with the magnificent and massive phylons and prophylons, obelisgs and monoliths, and the colossal statuary of the nineteenth dynasty in Upper Egypt. Viewing the panorama as a whole, we can confidently assert that its workmanship is equal to anything of the kind that could be produced by the scenic artists of London or Paris, and it is a pity that some of the pictures of which it is composed should only have been painted with perishable materials, to serve a merely temporary purpose.—Melbourne Argus, August 29th, 1883.

GREAT ATTRACTIONS AT THE ZOO

EVERY DAY.
SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS ON SATURDAY.
JUMBO and JESSIE,
two
SPLENDID ELEPHANTS,
will carry the little ones about the grounds as usual.
ALSO TO BE SEEN,
VARIOUS RARE ANIMALS, BIRDS, and REPTILES.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT
THIS AFTERNOON, from 3 to 5.

A SPLENDID BAND will take up its position on the lawn and play a VARIETY of CHARMING MUSIC, liberally selected from the best ENGLISH, IRISH, and SCOTCH composers.

VISITORS FROM THE COUNTRY SHOULD NOT FAIL TO PAY THE GARDENS A VISIT.

The Zoo is fast becoming one of the most pleasurable resorts about Sydney.

TRAMS FROM BRIDGE-STREET TO THE GATES.

FORTY-SIXTH ANNIVERSARY HOBART REGATTA.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 1883.

ELEVENTH RACE.—INTERCOLONIAL YACHT RACE. Time allowance for tonnage. Flying start, in accordance with the rules of the Derwent Yacht Club. Course, about 20 miles. Entrance, £2 2s. First prize, £100, presented by J. W. Syme, Esq.; if three yachts start, second prize, £50; and if five yachts start, a third prize of £20 will be given. Entries to be forwarded to the Hon. Sec. on or before THURSDAY, January 3, 1884. In the event of no intercolonial entries being received, the race will be a HANDICAP YACHT RACE.

W. J. WATCHORN,
Hon. Secretary.

Committee-room, November 30, 1883.

ASSOCIATION CRICKET GROUND.

THIS DAY, DECEMBER 22.

GRAND CRICKET MATCH.

BATHURST v. GOULBURN,

Play will commence at 10.30.

Admission to the Ground, 6d; Grand Stand and Lawn, 6d extra. Ladies free to the Ground.

A. H. BRAY,
Sec. Association Cricket Ground

257, George-street.

ASSOCIATION CRICKET GROUND,

DECEMBER 29 and 31.
Intercolonial Warehousemen Cricket Match.
SYDNEY v. MELBOURNE.
Play will commence at 12 sharp.
THE CITY BAND is engaged, and will play a choice selection of popular music.
Admission to Ground, 1s; Stand and Lawn, 1s extra.
R. G. VALLACK, Jun.,
Hon. Sec.

COMMERCIAL C. C., with ground, disengaged Christmas afternoon. P. Wynter, care Hill, Clark, and Co., Pitt-st.

WINDSOR C.C. v. ORIENTAL C.C.—Match off. Orientals refuse to play without Luland and Donnelly.

WAVERLEY MECHANIC GROUND to LET Boxing Day and New Year's Day. G. Wills, Waverley.

STEADMAN CUP.—Stanleys v. Conservatives.—The following meet Cup Ground on Boxing Day, 10 a.m. sharp.—A. Bannerman, W. Murdoch, Massie, Armstrong, S. Jones, Evans, Spofforth, Faithfull, Nunn, Maher, Winkle, D. Gregory, Garrett.

STANLEY C. C. v. Stanley Second Eleven.—Carthona wicket, Rushcutter Bay. Meet for match 2.30. F. Jones.

MALVERN C. C. Disengaged on 26th, 29th, and 1st Jan., 1884. Mr. Lyons, 19, Cleveland-street, Moore Park.

STANLEY v. CONSERVATIVES.—Cup Match.—The following members of the Stanley C.C. are requested to meet on the Cup ground at 10 o'clock sharp, Tuesday morning:—Mason, Manton, A. and H. Napthali, Freeman, O'Brien, Collis, Ford, Davison, Woodhill, Emanuel 12, Hill, O'Brien.
F. JONES, Secretary.

PARRAMATTA RIVER STEAMERS and PARK TRAMWAY.—Most delightful trip out of Sydney, quick, cheap, and pleasant in every way. Steamers from King-street, 6.30, 9, 11, 1, 3, 5; No. 4 Jetty, 10, 2. Return tickets single fares TO-DAY. TO-MORROW, from King-street, 9.15, 11, 2.15, 3, 6.15. It is a good time to go at 5.5 any day. See the EXHIBITION in the Park, and enjoy the music in the evening.

SCHNAPPER FISHING.—The S. GARNET will leave No. 2 Jetty at 12 o'clock TO-NIGHT, for COALCLIFF. Tickets (limited) to be had at RILEY'S Supreme Court Hotel, King and Phillip streets.

PRINCE of WALES HOTEL, SANDRINGHAM.—LUNCHEONS and DINNERS provided as usual on the holidays. The Young Mat, steamer, will ply from Botany to Sandringham during the holidays.
W. E. RUST.

TIVOLI GARDENS, Waverley, to LET, daily, for sports; also, Boxing and New Year's Days. 65, Market-st.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS, &c.

TO PICNIC PARTIES, RACING PARTIES, &c.

We have for HIRE a great variety of splendid, spacious, fashionable VEHICLES, with or without drivers; good steady Horses, for harness or saddle; Four-in-hands, Tandems, &c.

Constituents are solicited to book early to secure their orders for the above holidays.

HAWKES and COMPANY,
Tattersall's Bazaar, Hunter-street.

TO TRAVELLERS, MERCHANTS, and OTHERS.

We have for HIRE Carriages, Victorias, Buggies, Horses, and steady drivers, by hour, day, week, month, or year; Horses at Livery, charges moderate; quiet Horses on hand for Sale, and Stock sold on commission. Always ask for tariff.

HAWKES and COMPANY, Tattersall's-buildings,
Hunter and Castlereagh streets.

CAUTION.—When asking for a RHEINGOLD Cigar, see that you get served from a genuine box.

BOYS' Tricycles, Waggons and Carts, Rocking Horses, Toy Horses, Dolls' Carriages, Babies' Sleeping Carriages and Perambulators, Invalids' Wheelchairs, &c.
R. ANDERSON, Parramatta-street.

BICYCLE for SALE.—Special British Challenge 52, half nickelled, ball bearings; good. Bike, Herald.

HAVE you seen the Christmas Presents in FULLER'S Window, 385-7, George-street?

THE ORGAN WILL PLAY at the Royal Furnishing Arcade This Afternoon, also the Musical Boxes.

COOGEE PARK Sale THIS DAY. Trams at 1.30 and 2 p.m. SMITH, CHAPMAN, and SMITH.

CHRISTMAS EVE.—Go and see the Wonderful Bargains in Royal Clothing at RILEY BROTHERS'.

PARRAMATTA INTERCOLONIAL JUVENILE INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION.

OPEN EACH DAY
from 10 a.m. till 5.30 p.m.,
and from 7 till 10 p.m.

Innumerable Entries.

Attractions of all kinds.

Trains direct to Platform
on the
Exhibition Ground.

CHEAP FARES.

TICKETS
(to admit to Exhibition also) can be obtained at
RAILWAY STATION.

Special Steamers and Trains at Reduced Rates.

Refreshments of all kinds on the ground.

Two Splendid Bands.

ADMISSION, 1s; CHILDREN, 6d.
CHAS. E. ROWLING,
Hon. Sec.

PARRAMATTA INTERCOLONIAL JUVENILE INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION.

BOXING DAY.

THE GREAT ATTRACTION
of the
HOLIDAYS.

Amusements for the Million.

EXHIBITION GROUNDS, PARRAMATTA PARK.

PARRAMATTA INTERCOLONIAL JUVENILE INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION.

MUSICAL and LITERARY CONTESTS
continued on
THIS DAY, SATURDAY, 22nd instant,
from 10.30 a.m. till 5.30 p.m.

Judges—Musical:
Hector R. Maclean, Esq.; Montagus Younger, Esq.
CHAS. E. ROWLING,
Hon. Sec.

PARRAMATTA INTERCOLONIAL JUVENILE INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION.

THE AUSTRALIAN BLONDIN,
at 4 o'clock.

SHOOTING GALLERIES.
STEAM MERRY-GO-ROUND.

SWINGING BOATS.
STRIKING MACHINES.

ELECTRIC MACHINES.
STRASBURG CLOCK,
and
endless other
AMUSEMENTS
for YOUNG and OLD.

PARRAMATTA INTERCOLONIAL JUVENILE INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION.

GRAND SACRED CONCERT,
CHRISTMAS NIGHT.

"With Verdure clad,"
Miss MADELINE ST. CLAIR.
"He was despised,"
Miss MARIE ST. CLAIR.
"If with all your hearts,"
Mr. KNIGHT ASTON.
"Rolling in foaming billows,"
Mr. HALLEWELL.
"Nazareth,"
Mr. A. H. GEE.

Duets, Quartettes, &c.

Accompanist,
Mr. JOSEPH MASSEY.
Director,
Mr. A. H. GEE.

Tickets at Paling's, Elvy and Co.'s, Massey and Sons', Moss', Bullard's, and at the office of Mr. I. Dunsbee, 130, Pitt-street. Reserved seats, 3s; Chairs, 2s.

CHAS. E. ROWLING, Hon. Sec.

PARRAMATTA JUVENILE INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION.

In order to meet the Requirements
of
SYDNEY VISITORS who cannot get away
during the week
days
a
SPECIAL TRAIN
leaves
the
REDFERN STATION
at
7.25 p.m.
to the Building, and returns at
10 p.m.
CHAS. E. ROWLING, Hon. Sec.

PARRAMATTA INTERCOLONIAL JUVENILE INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION, PARRAMATTA, 1883.

The following are the Railway arrangements in connection with the Exhibition:—

Leave Redfern at 10 a.m., 12 a.m., special train at 1.55, 2.40 p.m., special train 7.25 p.m. Leave Parramatta Park Platform 11 a.m., 1 p.m., 2.40; special 5.30 p.m., 10 p.m.
To the 24th December.
CHAS. E. ROWLING, Hon. Sec.

PARRAMATTA JUVENILE INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION.

CHRISTMAS NIGHT.

GRAND SACRED CONCERT.

Miss Madaline St. Clair
Miss Marie St. Clair.

The celebrated English tenor, Mr. Knight Ashton,
his first appearance.

Mr. F. J. Hallewell
Mr. A. H. Gee.
Accompanist: Mr. Joseph Massey.
Director: Mr. A. H. Gee.

Tickets for concert—Numbered seats, 3s; chairs, 2s; to be obtained at C. E. Fuller's, Stationers' Hall, George-street. Sydney.

CHAS. E. ROWLING, Hon. Sec.

J. F. CRIPPS' CAFE, JUVENILE EXHIBITION, PARRAMATTA PARK.
Ladies' Rooms. Ices, Jelly, Tea, and Cakes.
J. F. CRIPPS, of 207, Pitt-street, Proprietor.

JUVENILE EXHIBITION, PARRAMATTA PARK.
Luncheons daily. Poultry, 2s 6d; Joints, 1s 6d.
J. F. CRIPPS, of 207, Pitt-street, Proprietor.

WAXWORKS and GLASS-BLOWERS' EXHIBITION open in George-street, three doors from Royal Arcade. Waxworks, fancy glass-blowing, glass working and spinning, cosmorama of different scenes, magic mirrors, compound microscope magnifying 20,000 times, and numerous other novelties. Admission, 1s; children, 6d.

ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

MOORE PARK.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

The Society's GROUNDS, Moore Park, will be OPENED to the public DAILY, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Owing to the heavy outlay incurred by the Society, an ENTRANCE FEE of
6d for Adults and
3d for Children
will be charged at the gates.
ENTRANCE by Moore Park gate only.
WALTER BRADLEY,
Hon. Sec.

P.S.—MEMBERS, on production of ticket, will be admitted FREE.

CHOWDER BAY, CHOWDER BAY.

Select Family Excursion will be held at the above place on Christmas Afternoon. Dancing, Dancing, Dancing. Favourite Mercantile Band of 24 performers engaged for Dancing in the new Pavilion and on the Lawn.

Sports and Amusements throughout the afternoon.

Steamers leave foot of Phillip-street from 2 p.m., and thence every half-hour until 5.30 p.m.

Return tickets, 1s 6d.

GRAND EXCURSION to the HAWKESBURY RIVER.—The steamer ADMIRAL will leave the new jetty (the foot of Phillip-street), on SUNDAY next, 23rd December, at 9.30 a.m. sharp (weather permitting), landing passengers at the proposed site for the new bridge. Refreshments to be had on board. Return fare, 5s.

LOOK OUT

for the
YOUNG AUSTRALIAN PICNIC,
the
DAY AFTER BOXING DAY, to SIR JOSEPH BANKS PAVILION.
Young Australian Band Engaged. Dancing all day.
Tickets, 2s. G. HUNT, M.C.

FERN BAY. FERN BAY.

SELECT EXCURSION, BOXING DAY.

Steamers from King-street hourly.
H. A. MAGNEY, Sec.

TENNYSON. TENNYSON.

BOXING DAY, SELECT EXCURSION.
Prince of Wales Band for Dancing. Cricket, Quoits, &c.
Steamers from King-street every hour.
H. A. MAGNEY, Sec.

THE SYDNEY CLUB HOUSE and RESTAURANT (late Sydney Coffee Tavern), Pitt-street, next Tattersall's Hotel.
Breakfast and Tea from 9d, Dinner from 1s.
Single bedrooms, with superior board, 30s per week, or 5s day.
Rooms, with Two Beds, One Guinea per week, or 4s per Day.
W. T. JOHNSON, Manager
(late of Temperance Palace, York-street).
P.S.—Mr. Johnson's country friends' attention particularly requested to this notification.

THE SYDNEY MAIL.

THE CHRISTMAS NUMBER,
FULL OF PICTURES,
and with COLOURED SUPPLEMENT,
is now on sale.
Price Sixpence.

THE SHIPPING.—Arrivals, Departures, Mails Outward

Commercial, &c., &c.,

THE ECHO,

AN EVENING JOURNAL.

Price One Penny

CHRISTMAS EVE.—RILEY BROTHERS are Cheapest for all kinds of Drapery and Clothing.

ST. LEON'S

MAMMOTH CIRCUS and MENAGERIE.
Sole Proprietor, M. St. Leon. Advance Agent, H. Mawdsly.
A MOST ASTONISHING SUCCESS.
ANOTHER CROWDED AND DELIGHTED AUDIENCE
flocked last evening to witness
THE TALENTED TROUPE.
The New Programme,
A Most Marvellous Surprise.
Everyone Delighted.
Read the opinions of the Press.
TO-NIGHT. TO-NIGHT.
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TO-NIGHT. TO-NIGHT.
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22nd.
Repetition of
FRIDAY'S ATTRACTIVE PROGRAMME.
THIS AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock.
This Afternoon, at 2 o'clock.
A GRAND AFTERNOON PERFORMANCE
A Grand Afternoon Performance.
For the convenience of school children and others who are unable to attend the Evening's Performance.
A Special Programme for the Afternoon Entertainment.

The evening's performance will conclude with the grand spectacle of Turpin's Ride to York; or the Life and Death of Bonny Black Bess. Locality—Lower end of Pitt-street, and directly opposite Robertson's Coach Factory.

Doors open at 7 o'clock. Overture at 8 precisely. Carriages may be ordered for 10.15 p.m.

Prices of Admission: Reserved Chairs, 5s; Boxes, 4s; Family Circle, 2s; Pit, 1s. Free list entirely suspended. Authorised Press alone excepted.

A plan of the reserved chairs is now open at Mrs. Kirby's, bookseller, George-street, opposite the Market.

J. MORGAN, Treasurer.

BOTANY. BOTANY.

SIR JOSEPH BANKS PAVILION.
Young Australian Band.
DANCING and SKATING,
THIS DAY,
December 22.
George Hunt, M.C.

GREAT FOOTRACE,
One Hundred and Fifty Yards (150 yards),
for One Hundred Pounds (£100),
GEDDES v. ALBERT,
will take place during the afternoon.

Admission, 1s.

TRAMS TO THE GATES.

FRANK SMITH.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON PROMENADE CONCERTS.

SIR JOSEPH BANKS PAVILION and PLEASURE GROUNDS, BOTANY.

First-class Artists will appear in Popular Ballads.

Chas. Austin's Gaiety String Band will perform Solos and Classical Selections.

Temperance refreshments will be provided free of charge.
Children admitted free.
Trams will leave Bridge-street at 2.0, 2.15, and 2.30.
The entertainment will commence at 3.30 and terminate at 5.0 punctually.
Tickets obtainable at Botany.

BOTANY. BOTANY. BOTANY.

SIR JOSEPH BANKS PAVILION
and
PLEASURE GROUNDS.

BOXING DAY, DECEMBER 26.

THE MOST POPULAR PLACE to PASS YOUR HOLIDAY,
and have a
FIRST-CLASS ENTERTAINMENT PROVIDED.
CHAS. AUSTIN'S RENOWNED GAIETY STRING BAND,
of Sixteen Performers, will perform the
Latest Dance Music throughout the Day.
Dancing under the supervision of four competent M.C.'s, viz.: Mr. George Hunt, Gam Walsh, Signor Ranchero, and Professor Jackson.
No two ladies will be allowed to dance together.
No two gentlemen will be allowed to dance together.
THE FROLICS VARIETY TROUPE,
consisting of the following artists, will appear in the course of the day in their first part Entertainment and Speciality, on the splendid stage of Pavilion:—

Miss Violet Sanders, the favourite contralto; Miss Lilian Howard, the charming soprano; Harry Cowan, the popular negro delineator; Will Dean, the favourite song and dance artist; Charley Ferguson, song and dance performer; Hardaman and Keough, the unrivalled dancers, will also appear in their clog dance and sand jig.

The Entertainment will be under the direction of Mr. Chas. Austin, with the finest Orchestra in the colonies.

Gambling Strictly Prohibited.

Any person creating a disturbance of any kind, either in the Pavilion or Grounds, will be immediately handed over to the Police and prosecuted.

To ensure Good Order and Respectability, the admission to the whole will be 2s 6d.

N.B.—The SKITTLE ALLEY will be CLOSED for this day.

The whole will be under the personal supervision of
FRANK SMITH.

BOXING DAY.

BOTANY BAY
and
GEORGE'S RIVER.

THE SEA BREEZE HOTEL,
TOM UGLY'S POINT,
is the most enjoyable place
TO PASS THE HOLIDAY.

The Best of Liquors,
and plenty of the
CELEBRATED GEORGE'S RIVER OYSTERS.

PROFESSOR BENNETT
will perform on the
HIGH TIGHT-ROPE during the day.

STEAMERS LEAVE BOTANY PIER
10.30, 12.30, 2.30. Return at 5 p.m.
Return fare, 2s.

Steamers will leave Botany every day during the Christmas Holidays. Time-table see shipping column.

Picnic Parties visiting George's River
or the National Park
can get their supplies of stores &c.,
at the store at Tom Ugly's Point, at Sydney prices.

BOXING DAY.

BOTANY TEA GARDENS.

The YOUNG AUSTRALIAN BAND has been engaged for the above day.

DANCING in the large PAVILION, under the management of an efficient M.C. Luncheon, tea, coffee, ice creams, and every luxury. To ensure respectability, 1s admission will be charged.

THOMAS CORKEY.

A GRAND TEMPERANCE PICNIC

to
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on
BOXING DAY, 26th DECEMBER, 1883.

THOMPSON'S PREMIER BAND
specially engaged to play
on the
NEW PAVILION.

300 PRIZES
will be Distributed
amongst
THE JUVENILES
for
FOOT RACES,
&c.

SWINGS
and all other kinds of Amusements.

No persons allowed to land with Intoxicants.

Anyone infringing this rule will be removed.

No questionable characters allowed to land.

THE FAVOURITE STEAMERS
Telephone, Gem, Daisy, and Truckay
will ply from No. 2 Jetty,
Circular Quay,
every 10 minutes
from 8.30 am. to 3 p.m.

REFRESHMENTS
at
SYDNEY PRICES.

LUNCHEONS, &c.

Hot and Cold Water FREE.

Adults, return, 1s. 6d.; Children, Half Price.

W. NICHOLSON,
Manager.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

EXCURSION
to
PEARL BAY,
BOXING DAY, December 26, 1883.

The steamers ADMIRAL and GARNET have been engaged, and will leave the Government Jetty, foot of Phillip-street, Circular Quay, at 9.30, 10.30, 11.30 a.m., and 12.30 p.m. First steamer returns at 5 p.m.

Tickets, 2s each; children, half price.

Amusements on the ground.
Hot and cold water provided.

Tickets, for which an early application is requested, may be had from Messrs. George Robertson, C. E. Fuller, F. Sigmont, Park-street; C. E. Wigzell, 187, Oxford-street; and Wesleyan Book Depot, George-street; Church of England Book Depot, Pitt-street; and at the Rooms, Pitt and Park streets.

DAVID WALKER, Gen. Sec.

Y. M. C. A.—EXCURSION on BOXING DAY to PEARL BAY. See Amusements.

Y. M. C. A.—YOUNG MEN'S BOATING CLUB. Members enrolled, and full particulars obtained on application at the Rooms.

PYRMONT PRESBYTERIAN SABBATH SCHOOL.

Union-street.

Annual Excursion to Clontarf December 27.

Steamers Commodore and Leveret will leave the wharf, John-street, Pyrmont, at 8, 9.30, and 10.30 a.m., calling at Stephen-street, Balmain, at 10 a.m., and Darling-street, Balmain, at 11 a.m., returning from Clontarf at 4 and 5.45 p.m. Adults, 2s. Children, 1s. N.B.—A trip up Middle Harbour from Clontarf at 2 p.m. No extra charge.

PYRMONT and ULTIMO PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—19th Annual Sabbath School PICNIC on THURSDAY, 27th instant. This year to Chowder not to Clontarf. The steamer Balmain will leave Goodlet and Smith's new wharf, Harris-street, Pyrmont, at 8 a.m., and John-street wharf, Pyrmont, at 9.45 and 11.45, calling at Darling-street, Balmain, at 10; return at 6.45 and 6.15. Steam ferry near Erskine-street, to Pyrmont. Tickets, 1s 6d; children's, 1s. R. S. Paterson.

BOXING DAY.—Land SALE at LITTLE COOGEE. Call for Litho. Thos. O'Toole, 112, Pitt-street.

COOGEE PARK Sale THIS DAY. Trams at 1.30 and 2 p.m. SMITH, CHAPMAN, and SMITH.

Government Notices.

NOTICE UNDER REAL PROPERTY ACT.—APPLICATIONS having been made to bring the lands hereunder described under the provisions of the Real Property Act, Certificates of Indefeasible Title will issue unless Caveats be lodged in form B of the said Act on or before the date named opposite each case respectively.

Property.	Name of Applicant.	Residence.	Date up to and inclusive of which Caveats may be lodged.
No. 5798. North Shore, 4 acres, lots Nos. 29, 30, and part of 38 of section D of Nicholl's subdivision, adjoining premises of Mr. Welsh.	Ellen Wilhelmine Ffrench	West Maitland, New South Wales	1883. December 27.
No. 5750. City of Sydney, 1 rood 16 perches, at the junction of Church-hill and Charlotte-place,—is part of 2 acres 2 roods 15 perches, granted to Sir John Jamison.	Thomas Robert Allt ...	Sydney	December 27.
No. 5816. County of Northumberland, 300 acres, on Popran Creek, granted to Stephen Thos. Macdonald.	Edward Kelly, the elder	Popran Creek, Mangrove, N. S. Wales	1884. January 10.
No. 5860. Hunter's Hill, 2 acres 3 roods 14 perches, on the Lane Cove River, adjacent to the premises of Messrs. Bingle and Tornaghi, now in the occupation of P. J. Clark.	Walter Friend and Owen Friend.	Sydney	January 10.

Diagrams delineating these lands may be inspected at the Registrar-General's Office, in Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

Dated this 6th day of December, 1883, at the Registrar-General's Office, Sydney.

E. G. WARD, Registrar-General.

REAL PROPERTY ACT.

NOTICE OF INTENDED ISSUE OF PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATE OF TITLE, VOL. 137, FOLIO 138.

Proprietor: Alexander Dean. Land: 2 Roods, Parish of South Wagga Wagga.

THE proof of loss of the abovenamed original, and other particulars required by section 38 of the abovenamed Act (20th Vic. No. 9), before issue of Provisional Certificate of Title, having been supplied—I hereby, with the consent of the Land Titles Commissioners, and in further pursuance of the requirements of this section, notify my intention to issue such Provisional Certificate of Title accordingly, at the expiration of twenty-one days from the date hereof.

E. G. WARD,
Registrar-General.

Sydney, 20th December, 1883.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAYS, 1883-4.

SPECIAL TRAIN ARRANGEMENTS.

NOTICE is hereby given that Special Trains will be run as under:—

GREAT SOUTHERN LINE.

SATURDAY, 22nd DECEMBER.

GOULBURN TO SYDNEY.

Goulburn, dep. ...	5.10 p.m.
Sydney, arr. ...	10.45 p.m.

MONDAY, 24th DECEMBER.

SYDNEY TO GOULBURN.

Sydney, dep. ...	7.55 a.m., 7.30 p.m., 11.35 p.m.
Goulburn, arr. ...	1.50 p.m., 1.10 a.m., 5.30 a.m.

TUESDAY, 25th DECEMBER.

SYDNEY TO GOULBURN.

Sydney, dep. ...	7.55 a.m.
Goulburn, arr. ...	1.50 p.m.

GOULBURN TO SYDNEY.

Goulburn, dep. ...	4.15 p.m.
Sydney, arr. ...	9.50 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 26th DECEMBER.

SYDNEY TO CAMPBELLTOWN.

Sydney, dep. ...	1.0 p.m.
Campbelltown, arr. ...	2.50 p.m.

SYDNEY TO GOULBURN.

Sydney, dep. ...	7.55 a.m., 7.30 p.m.
Goulburn, arr. ...	1.50 p.m., 1.10 a.m.

GOULBURN TO SYDNEY.

Goulburn, dep. ...	5.10 p.m.
Sydney, arr. ...	10.45 p.m.

THURSDAY, 27th DECEMBER.

GOULBURN TO SYDNEY.

Goulburn, dep. ...	5.25 a.m.
Sydney, arr. ...	10.35 a.m.

GREAT WESTERN LINE.

SATURDAY, 22nd DECEMBER.

BATHURST TO SYDNEY.

Bathurst, dep. ...	3.50 p.m.
Sydney, arr. ...	11.5 p.m.

MONDAY, 24th DECEMBER.

SYDNEY TO WALLERAWANG.

Sydney, dep. ...	7.0 a.m.
Wallerawang, arr. ...	1.20 p.m.

SYDNEY TO ORANGE.

Sydney, dep. ...	7.0 p.m.
Orange, arr. ...	5.35 a.m.

SYDNEY TO BATHURST.

Sydney, dep. ...	11.20 p.m.
Bathurst, arr. ...	7.0 a.m.

CAPERTEE AND WALLERAWANG TO SYDNEY.

Capertee, dep. ...	2.20 p.m.
Wallerawang, dep. ...	3.55 p.m.
Sydney, arr. ...	9.5 p.m.

TUESDAY, 25th DECEMBER.

SYDNEY TO BOWENFELS.

Sydney, dep. ...	7.0 a.m.
Bowenfels, arr. ...	1.0 p.m.

BOWENFELS TO SYDNEY.

Bowenfels, dep. ...	3.55 p.m.
Sydney, arr. ...	9.5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 26th DECEMBER.

CAPERTEE AND WALLERAWANG TO KATOOMBA.

Capertee, dep. ...	9 a.m.
Wallerawang, dep. ...	10.10 a.m.
Katoomba, arr. ...	12.25 p.m.

KATOOMBA TO WALLERAWANG AND CAPERTEE.

Katoomba, dep. ...	5.0 p.m.
Wallerawang, dep. ...	7.15 p.m.
Capertee, arr. ...	8.15 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 26th DECEMBER.

SYDNEY TO BOWENFELS.

Sydney, dep. ...	7.0 a.m.
Bowenfels, arr. ...	1.0 p.m.

SYDNEY TO PENRITH.

Sydney, dep. ...	11.25 a.m.
Penrith, arr. ...	1.5 p.m.

SYDNEY TO BATHURST.

Sydney, dep. ...	7.0 p.m.
Bathurst, arr. ...	2.40 a.m.

SYDNEY TO PENRITH AND RICHMOND.

Sydney, dep. ...	11.20 p.m.
Penrith, arr. ...	12.50 a.m.
Richmond, arr. ...	1.25 a.m.

BATHURST TO ORANGE.

Bathurst, dep. ...	9.15 a.m.
Orange, arr. ...	11.30 a.m.

ORANGE TO BATHURST.

Orange, dep. ...	6.0 p.m.
Bathurst, arr. ...	8.15 p.m.

BOWENFELS TO SYDNEY.

Bowenfels, dep. ...	3.55 p.m.
Sydney, arr. ...	9.5 p.m.

RICHMOND AND PENRITH TO SYDNEY.

Richmond, dep. ...	9.0 p.m.
Penrith, dep. ...	9.30 p.m.
Sydney, arr. ...	11.5 p.m.

THURSDAY, 27th DECEMBER.

BATHURST TO SYDNEY.

Bathurst, dep. ...	4.5 a.m.
Sydney, arr. ...	11.35 a.m.

These Special Trains will stop at intermediate Stations and Platforms as required to pick up and set down Passengers.

Times of departure can be obtained from station-masters.

CHAS. A. GOODCHAP,
Commissioner for Railways.

Department of Public Works,
Railway Branch,
Sydney, December, 1883.

Department of Public Works, Railway Branch, Sydney,
20th December, 1883.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Up Western Mail Train will leave Orange for Sydney at the usual hour on SATURDAY, the 22nd instant.

CHAS. A. GOODCHAP,
Commissioner for Railways.

Department of Public Works—Railway Branch.
Sydney, 19th December, 1883.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

NOTICE is hereby given that on and after the 1st January, 1884, all goods must be addressed, as required by By-law No. XLIX., which will then read as follows:—

> "The Commissioner will not receive goods or parcels for conveyance by railway unless each separate package has the name and address of the person to whom it is consigned legibly written or printed thereon; nor will he be liable for damage or loss sustained by leakage, fermentation, or fire."

This course has been rendered necessary in consequence of the number of claims the Department has been called upon to pay, for misdelivery of goods through the similarity of brands.

CHAS. A. GOODCHAP,
Commissioner for Railways.

Department of Public Works, Railway Branch, Sydney,
20th December, 1883.

GOVERNMENT TRAMWAYS.

RANDWICK RACES.
BOXING DAY, 26th December, 1883.

A Special First-class CAR, suitable for Private Parties and Ladies, will leave Bridge-street at 11.45 a.m. for the Racecourse direct, to arrive in ample time for the first race, and will await the finish of the last race.

Fares, 2s 6d each, including return. As only a limited number of tickets can be sold, application must be made before 4 p.m. on MONDAY, the 24th instant, at the Ticket Office, Bridge-street terminus.

CHAS. A. GOODCHAP,
Commissioner for Railways.

Department of Public Works, Railway Branch, Sydney,
18th December, 1883.

GOVERNMENT TRAMWAYS.

CHRISTMAS DAY, 25th December, 1883.

NOTICE is hereby given that on the above date Trams will be run as per time table for Sundays up to 1 p.m., after which time the usual daily running will be carried out.

CHAS. A. GOODCHAP,
Commissioner for Railways.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

LIVERPOOL RACES, 22nd December, 1883.

NOTICE is hereby given that a SPECIAL TRAIN will leave Sydney for Liverpool at 11.25 a.m. on the above date, returning from Liverpool at 5.45 p.m. the same evening. Excursion tickets will be issued from Sydney at the following special rates:—

First class ...	4s
Second class ...	2s

The first class seats will be reserved; and as only a limited number of tickets will be issued, early application should be made for them at either the Central Office, George-street, or at the Redfern Booking Office.

CHAS. A. GOODCHAP,
Commissioner for Railways.

Department of Public Works, Railway Branch, Sydney,
18th December, 1883.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

PARRAMATTA JUVENILE EXHIBITION.

TRAIN ARRANGEMENTS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following Trains will run to and from Parramatta Park Platform from THURSDAY, the 20th, until MONDAY, the 24th instant inclusive (Sunday excepted):—

From Sydney at 10 a.m., 12 noon, 1.55, 2.50, and 7.25 p.m.

From Parramatta Park Platform at 11 a.m., 3.30, 5.30, and 10 p.m.

The down trains leaving Sydney at 10 a.m., 12 noon, and 2 50 p.m., and the up trains from Parramatta Park at 11 a.m. and 3.30 p.m., which leave Parramatta at 11.10 a.m. and 3.40 p.m., will stop at stations as shown on the Suburban Time-table, to pick up and set down passengers.

CHAS. A. GOODCHAP,
Commissioner for Railways.

Department of Public Works, Railway Branch,
Sydney, 19th December, 1883.

Department of Public Works, Railway Branch,
Sydney, 21st November, 1883.

TO BUILDERS, CONTRACTORS, &c.

TENDERS will be received at this Office until 11 o'clock on TUESDAY, the 18th December, 1883, from persons willing to contract for the Erection of STATION BUILDINGS, &c., at Girilambone, Great Western Railway Extension.

Plan, specification, and form of tender may be seen, and further particulars obtained, at the Clerk of Petty Sessions office, Dubbo, and at the Engineer-in-Chief for Railways' office, Sydney.

Tenders are to be endorsed "Tender for Erection of Station Buildings, &c., Girilambone."

The Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

CHAS. A. GOODCHAP,
Commissioner for Railways.

Note.—The time for the receipt of tenders for the above has been extended to 11 a.m., on TUESDAY, the 8th January, 1884.

Department of Public Works, Railway Branch,
Sydney, 14th December, 1883.

TENDERS will be received at this Office until 11 o'clock on TUESDAY, the 12th February, 1884, from persons willing to Contract for the construction and supply of Roofs, Girders, and Columns for four Workshops at Eveleigh, Great Southern Railway.

Plan, Specification, and form of Tender, may be seen, and further particulars obtained at the office of the Engineer for Existing Railways, 44, Phillip-street, Sydney, on and after the 19th December.

Tenders are to be endorsed "Tender for Roofs, Girders, and Columns for Workshops, Eveleigh."

The Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any Tender.

CHAS. A. GOODCHAP,
Commissioner for Railways.

Department of Public Works, Railway Branch,
Sydney, 20th November, 1883.

TENDERS will be received at this Office until 11 o'clock on TUESDAY, the 18th December next, from persons willing to Contract for Manufacturing in the colony the Superstructure of Seven Wrought-iron Bridges for the Homebush to Waratah Railway.

Plan, specification, and form of tender may be seen, and further particulars obtained, at the office of the Engineer-in-Chief for Railways, Sydney.

Tenders are to be endorsed "Tender for Superstructure of Seven Wrought-iron Bridges"

The Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

CHAS. A. GOODCHAP,
Commissioner for Railways.

Note.—The time for the receipt of tenders has been extended to the 8th January next

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Department of Public Works, Railway Branch,
Sydney, 14th December, 1883.

TENDERS will be received at this Office until 11 o'clock on TUESDAY, the 19th February, 1884, from persons willing to contract for the Construction of a Line of Railway from Orange to Molong, a length of about 22 miles.

Plan, specification, and form of tender may be seen, and further particulars obtained, at the Office of the Engineer-in-Chief for Railways, Sydney, on and after Tuesday, the 8th January.

Tenders are to be endorsed "Tender for Orange to Molong Railway."

The Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

CHAS. A. GOODCHAP,
Commissioner for Railways.

Department of Public Works, Sydney,
19th December, 1883.

TENDERS FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND SUPPLIES.

TENDERS are invited for the following Public Works and Supplies. For full particulars see Government Gazette, a file of which is kept at every post-office in the colony.

Tenderers may be in attendance when the tenders are opened, and the name of the successful tenderer will be announced, if possible, before the duties of the Board have terminated.

No tender will be taken into consideration unless the terms of the notice are strictly complied with.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

Nature of Works and Supplies.	Dates to which Tenders can be received at this Office.
Erection of Galvanised Iron Shed, Australian Museum	Friday, 28th December, at 11 o'clock.
Erection of Stables, Post and Telegraph Office, Booligal	
Erection of Courthouse, Manilla	
Goods Shed, at Ballina Wharf	
Erection of Courthouse, Woodburn	
Wharf and Approach, Clarence Town	
Construction of Iron Screw Tug Steamer	
Additions to Courthouse, Merriwa	
Alterations to Gundagai Gaol	
Buffalo-road, Field of Mars Common, Contract 30m	
Road Pittwater to Barranjoie, Contract 32d	
Fencing Darlington and Newtown Roads	
Furniture for Engineering Room, Sydney University	
Roofing Asylum for Imbeciles, Newcastle	
Erection of Post and Telegraph Office, Muswellbrook	
Additions Courthouse, Darlinghurst	
Additions Watchhouse, Collector	
Alterations and Additions, Chief Attendant's Quarters, Newcastle Asylum	
Repairs, &c., to Buildings in Elizabeth-street, for Registrar-General's Department	
New Dock, Cockatoo Island, Contract No. 2	8th January, 1884, at 11 o'clock.
Superstructure of Seven Wrought Iron Bridges for Railway Extension Homebush to Waratah	
Bridge over Tollbar Creek-road, Cooma to Countegany	
Bridge over Dingo Creek at Tetsell's Crossing, Road Wingham to Wherrol Flat	
Widening University Cutting, Parramatta-road	
Station Buildings, &c., Girilambone	
Bridge over Hunter River at Denman	
Engine-house, &c., Bathurst Water Supply	15th January, at 11 o'clock.
Wharf and Approach, South Lismore	
Additions, &c., Lismore Wharf	
Excavations at Newbridge Railway Station, G. W. Railway	
Wharf at Coopernook, Manning River	Tuesday, 22nd January, at 11 o'clock.
Wharf and Approach at Bexhill, Wilson's Creek, Richmond River	
Wharf and Approach at Lawrence, Clarence River	Tuesday, 29th January, at 11 o'clock.
Roofs, Girders, and Columns, for Workshops, Eveleigh	Tuesday, 12th February, at 11 o'clock.
Construction of Railway, Orange to Molong	Tuesday, 19th February, at 11 o'clock.
Manufacture and Supply of 150,000 tons of Steel Rails.	10th February, 1885, at 11 o'clock.

F. A. WRIGHT.

The Treasury, New South Wales,
27th November, 1883.

PAYMENT OF RENTS OF RUNS.

HOLDERS of Runs in the 2nd Class Settled and Unsettled Districts are reminded that by the 9th clause of chapter 2, part 2 of the Regulations under the Lands Act Further Amendment Act of 1880, the rents of all runs must be paid on or before the 31st December next.

Persons tendering payments will be required to state the lessee's name, district, and name of run.

A pamphlet having been published, showing the rents payable on the various runs of the colony, copies of the same can be obtained at the Government Printing Office, at a charge of 1s 6d each.

GEORGE R. DIBBS.

Department of Public Instruction, Sydney,
18th December, 1883.

TENDERS FOR ADDITIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS.

TENDERS are invited for Additions and Improvements at the Fort-street Public School.

Plans and specifications may be seen and forms of tender obtained at the office of the Department of Public Instruction, Sydney.

Tenders, endorsed "Tender for Additions and Improvements, Fort-street Public School," must be lodged with the Acting Under Secretary, Department of Public Instruction, at or before 10 o'clock a.m., on WEDNESDAY, the 9th January, 1884.

The Minister does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

G. H. REID.

COOGEE PARK Sale THIS DAY. Trams at 1.30 and 2 p.m. SMITH, CHAPMAN, and SMITH.

Department of Lands,
Sydney, 1st December, 1883.

ERRORS IN DEEDS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the deeds of grant mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written, being erroneous in the particulars therein set forth, his Excellency the Governor will, in pursuance of the provisions of the Titles to Land Act, 1858, at the expiration of three months from the date hereof, by an instrument indorsed on each of the said deeds of grant under his hand and the Seal of the colony, describe the name of the intended grantee, to the intent that by force of the Act aforesaid it shall be taken to have been inserted in the grant and in every deed containing the erroneous name, and each such grant and every such deed shall operate and be construed accordingly.

JAMES S. FARNELL.

SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO.

Date of grant—25th August, 1882.

Name of grantee—James Cale.

Description of land granted—All that allotment or parcel of land in the colony of New South Wales, containing by admeasurement one acre twelve perches, be the same more or less, situated in the county of Cook, parish of Jamieson, and village of Brasfort, being allotment No. six of section No. seventeen; Commencing at the south-eastern corner of the section; and bounded thence on the east by Cascade-street northerly two chains sixteen links; on the north by the southern boundary line of allotment seven westerly at right angles to Cascade-street, five chains to a lane; on the west by that lane southerly parallel with Cascade-street, two chains; sixteen links to Fletcher-street; and on the south by that street easterly five chains to the point of commencement,—being the allotment sold as lot Z under the advertisement dated the 14th day of February, 1882.

Nature of misnomer—The Christian name of the grantee having been erroneously inserted in the grant as "James," instead of "Thomas."

Name of intended grantee—Thomas Cale.

Name of party applying for instrument—Thomas Cale.

Date of grant—28th August, 1882.

Name of grantee—James Cale.

Description of land granted—All that allotment or parcel of land in the colony of New South Wales, containing by admeasurement one acre, be the same more or less, situated in the county of Cook, parish of Jamieson, and village of Brasfort, being allotment No. seven of section No. seventeen: Commencing on the western side of Cascade-street, at the north-eastern corner of allotment six; and bounded thence on the east by that street northerly two chains, on the north by the southern boundary line of allotment eight westerly at right angles to Cascade-street, five chains to a lane; on the west by that lane southerly parallel with Cascade-street two chains, and on the south by the northern boundary line of allotment six aforesaid, easterly at right angles to Cascade-street five chains to the point of commencement—being the allotment sold as Lot AA, under the advertisement dated the 14th day of February, 1882.

Nature of misnomer—The Christian name of the grantee having been erroneously inserted in the grant as "James" instead of "Thomas."

Name of intended grantee—Thomas Cale.

Name of party applying for instrument—Thomas Cale.

Date of grant—28th August, 1882.

Name of grantee—James Cale.

Description of land granted—All that allotment or parcel of land in the colony of New South Wales, containing by admeasurement one acre, be the same more or less, situated in the county of Cook, parish of Jamieson, and village of Brasfort, being allotment No. eight of section No. seventeen: Commencing on the western side of Cascade-street, at the north-eastern corner of allotment seven, and bounded thence on the east by that street northerly two chains; on the north by the southern boundary line of allotment nine westerly at right angles to Cascade-street, five chains to a lane; on the west by that lane southerly parallel with Cascade-street two chains; and on the south by the northern boundary line of allotment seven aforesaid easterly at right angles to Cascade-street, five chains, to the point of commencement—being the allotment sold as BB, under the advertisement dated the 14th day of February, 1882.

Nature of misnomer—The Christian name of the grantee having been erroneously inserted in the grant as "James" instead of "Thomas."

Name of intended grantee—Thomas Cale.

Name of party applying for instrument—Thomas Cale.

General Post Office, Sydney,
5th December, 1883.

FRESH TENDERS are invited for the Erection of a Telegraph Line from Nowra to Kangaroo Valley, via Cambewarra, and will be received at this office up to noon on WEDNESDAY, 9th January, 1884.

For particulars see Government Gazette, a file of which is kept at every post-office in the colony.

No tender will be considered unless the terms of the notice published in the Gazette be strictly complied with.

Tenders to be addressed to the Secretary to the Post Office, Sydney, and endorsed "Tender for Erection of Telegraph Line."

W. J. TRICKETT.

General Post Office, Sydney,
December 18, 1883.

TENDERS will be received at this office up to noon on WEDNESDAY, the 9th January next, for the Stabling and Foraging of, say, 20 Horses, for a period of six months from the 1st February next.

Tenderers must state the amount required for each horse per week. The horses will be required for use between the hours of 8 a.m. and 11 p.m. Any further information required can be obtained on application to the Superintendent of the Mail Branch.

Tenders to be addressed to the Secretary, General Post Office, Sydney, and endorsed "Tender for Stabling Horses."

W. J. TRICKETT.

Department of Mines,
Stock Branch,
Sydney, 19th December, 1883.

RETURNS UNDER THE RABBIT NUISANCE, DISEASES IN SHEEP, AND PASTURES AND STOCK PROTECTION ACTS.

Owners of Sheep, Large Stock, and Land liable to contribution and assessment under the Rabbit Nuisance and Diseases in Sheep Acts are reminded that their returns must be made to the Clerks of Petty Sessions; and those under the Pastures and Stock Protection Acts to the respective Inspectors of Stock, on or before the 1st January next, 1884.

ALEX. BRUCE,
Chief Inspector of Stock.

Department of Mines (Stock Branch), Sydney,
21st December, 1883.

RABBIT NUISANCE ACT OF 1883.

RABBIT DOGS.

Required, for rabbiting, 60 DOGS of any of the following breeds, or crosses of these breeds:—Terriers, Beagles, Pointers, Setters, Retrievers, and Spaniels.

Dogs to be shown at Wooller's Stables, Pitt-street, on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd January, at 4 p.m.

ALEX. BRUCE,
Chief Inspector of Stock.

IMMIGRANTS.

MARRIED COUPLES
and
SINGLE MEN
per ship
PERICLES,
EXPECTED TO ARRIVE
on MONDAY, December 24, 1883,
WILL BE FOR HIRE
at the
HIRING ROOM,
FORT MACQUARIE,
on the
SECOND or THIRD DAY after arrival.

A further notice will be given on the arrival of the ship.

GEORGE F. WISE,
Agent for Immigration.

Immigration Office, Sydney,
December 22, 1883.

IMMIGRANTS.

MARRIED COUPLES
and
SINGLE MEN
per ships
SYDENHAM and NORTH,
DAILY EXPECTED TO ARRIVE,
will be for HIRE
at the
HIRING-ROOM,
FORT MACQUARIE,
on the
SECOND or THIRD DAY after arrival.

A further notice will be given on the arrival of the ships.

GEORGE F. WISE,
Agent for Immigration.

Immigration Office, Sydney,
December 22, 1883.

Public Companies.

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J. F. EWAN, Esq., M.B., M.S.E.

This Society is established for Life Assurance and the granting of Annuities and Endowments upon principles STRICTLY MUTUAL, awarding to each assurer his proportionate amount of the entire PROFITS of the Society at every distribution thereof.

LOANS granted on Mortgage or on Personal Security combined with Life Assurance.

JOHN MORISON M'CRAE,
Resident Secretary.

AUSTRALIAN MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE SOCIETY.

ESTABLISHED 1872.

First Fire Insurance Society established in Sydney on the Mutual principle, giving policy-holders back part of their premiums as a Cash Bonus out of profits every year.

Bonuses—20 per cent. declared annually for the last ten years.

POLICY-HOLDERS will please take notice that the BONUS of 20 per cent. declared between them and the shareholders for the tenth year is payable as their respective policies expire.

WALTER CHURCH, Manager.

Head Offices—137, Pitt-street, opposite the Evening News Office.

AUSTRALIAN MUTUAL INVESTMENT and BUILDING COMPANY, Limited.

HEAD OFFICE: 300, PITT-STREET, SYDNEY.

Deposits received to any extent.

6 per cent. per annum allowed on deposits for 6 months.
7 per cent. per annum allowed on deposits for 12 months.
4½ per cent. per annum is allowed by this Company on current accounts.

In addition to the interest allowed, depositors participate in the profits.

R. G. SWYNY,
Managing Director.

THE QUEENSLAND NATIONAL BANK, Limited.

Incorporated under the Companies Act, 1863.
Bankers to the Government of Queensland.

Subscribed Capital ...	£1,000,000
Paid-up Capital ...	500,000
Reserve Fund ...	175,000

Directors:
Hon. F. H. Hart, M.L.C., Chairman.
Hon. Boyd D. Morehead, M.L.A.
The Hon. Sir A. H. Palmer, K.C.M.G., M.L.C.

Auditors:
Theodore Unmack, Esq. | William Webster, Esq.

Solicitors—Messrs. Hart, Mein, and Flower.

General Manager—Edward Robert Drury.

GENERAL MANAGER'S OFFICE.
Inspector of Branches—John Souttar.
Sub-Inspector of Branches—H. W. Glenny.
Branch Accountant—Arthur Forbes.

HEAD OFFICE, BRISBANE.
Manager—Robert Gray Stodart.

BRANCHES.
LONDON OFFICE.
29, LOMBARD-STREET, E.C.

Local Directors:
A. B. Buchanan, Esq. | A. L. Elder, Esq.
J. L. Montefiore, Esq.

Manager—Robert Dunlop Buchanan.

Bankers:
The Bank of England.
The Consolidated Bank, Limited.

SYDNEY—99, PITT-STREET.

ARAMAC	MACKAY
BEENLEIGH	MARYBOROUGH
BLACKALL	MAYTOWN
BUNDABERG	MUTTABURRA
CAIRNS	MITCHELL
CHARTERS TOWERS	NORMANTON
CHARLEVILLE	PINE HILL
CLONCURRY	PORT DOUGLAS
COOKTOWN	RAVENSWOOD
CUNNAMULLA	ROCKHAMPTON
DALBY	ROMA
FORTITUDE VALLEY	STANTHORPE
GYMPIE, WITH AGENCY AT ONE MILE	ST. GEORGE
	TAMBO
HERBERTON	TOOWOOMBA
HUGHENDEN	TOWNSVILLE
INGHAM	THORNBOROUGH
IPSWICH	WARWICK
ISISFORD	WINTON.

AGENCIES:

Victoria, South Australia, Western Australia—National Bank of Australasia. New Zealand—Bank of New Zealand; the Colonial Bank of New Zealand. Tasmania—Bank of Van Diemen's Land. Scotland—Royal Bank of Scotland; British Linen Co. Bank. Ireland—The Ulster Banking Co. New York—Messrs. Laidlaw and Co. San Francisco—Bank of California. India and China—Oriental Bank Corporation.

The QUEENSLAND NATIONAL BANK, LIMITED, grants Drafts on its Branches and Agents; negotiates Bills against Colonial Produce, including Copper and Tin; discounts commercial paper; makes advances by way of cash credit, and on approved securities; allows interest on deposits, according to arrangement; and transacts all usual banking business.

AUSTRALIAN MUTUAL PROVIDENT SOCIETY.

Head Office—87, Pitt-street.

The Oldest Mutual Life Office in Australia.

DIRECTORS:
The Hon. John Smith, C.M.G., M.L.C., Chairman
Isaac E. Ives, Esq., Deputy Chairman
The Hon. S. A. Joseph, M.L.C.
The Hon. Alexander Campbell, M.L.C.
G. A. Murray, Esq.
W. G. Murray, Esq.

Chief Medical Officer:
Dr. W. F. MACKENZIE, L.R.C.P. (Edin.).

Actuary: MORRICE A. BLACK, F.I.A.
Secretary: ALEXANDER J. RALSTON.

NEW BUSINESS:

The new business of the year 1882 consisted of 6466 policies, assuring £2,222,541 and producing a new annual premium revenue of £73,372, 3s 10d; this amount exceeds the new business of any previous year of the Society's history.

EXISTING BUSINESS:

The policies in force at 31st December, 1882, numbered 50,712, assuring £18,586,004.

The annual income was £883,495 5s 9d

The ACCUMULATED FUND WAS £4,349,584 0s 11d.

DISTRIBUTION OF SURPLUS.

The Seventh Quinquennial Investigation and Division of Profits will take place as at 31st December, 1883, and all policies effected before that date will participate therein.

ANNUAL DIVISIONS OF SURPLUS.

After the division as at 31st December next, the distribution of profits will be made ANNUALLY.

Bonuses vest when policies have been 5 years in force.

Proposals will be received either at the Head Office, or at the Branch Office, Arcade entrance, George-street.

SYDNEY MARINE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

(Unlimited Liability.)
Capital, £100,000.

HEAD OFFICE—LYONS-BUILDINGS, 247, GEORGE-STREET.

DIRECTORS:
Richard Jones, Esq.
The Hon. Henry Mort, Esq., M.L.C.
George S. Caird, Esq.

AGENCIES:
LONDON.—Messrs. Mort and Co., 155, Fenchurch-street.
MELBOURNE.—Thomas W. Beckwith, Esq.
NEWCASTLE.—John Reid, Esq.

MARINE RISKS of all descriptions accepted at lowest current rates.

P. J. CLARK, Manager.

GUARDIAN FIRE AND LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF LONDON.

Established 1821.

Sydney Office, 312, George-street.

Subscribed Capital ...	£2,000,000
Paid-up Capital ...	1,000,000
Invested Funds ...	3,500,000
Annual Income ...	640,000

S. MAC DONNELL, Agent.

THE COMMERCIAL BUILDING and INVESTMENT COMPANY, Limited.

Offices: Waltham-buildings, Bond-street, Sydney.

Directors:
The Hon. S. A. Joseph, M.L.C., Chairman.
H. E. A. Allan, Esq. | Rollo A. Cape, Esq.
A. C. Garrick, Esq. | J. R. Street, Esq.

Subscribed capital, £200,000. Paid up capital, £50,000.
Reserve Fund, £6000.

Money received on fixed deposit for three months and upwards.

J. STUART-MASON,
Manager.

CITY MUTUAL LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY, Limited.

Offices—49, Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

Directors:
J. See, Esq., M.L.A. | Hon. E. Barton, M.L.A.
Dr. Power | F. B. Freehill, Esq., M.A.
P. Hogan, Esq., J.P. | D. O'Connor, Esq., M.L.A.
J. P. Garvan, Esq., M.L.A.

Auditors:
John B. C. Miles, Esq. (Messrs. Davenport, Miles, and Co.).
W. G. Winton, Esq.

Life Assurance in all its branches transacted at lowest rates of premium.

J. P. GARVAN, Managing Director.

PACIFIC FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF SYDNEY.

Capital—£1,000,000.

Directors:
R. Saddington, Esq., Chairman.
Alfred C. Garrick, Esq. | Louis Phillips, Esq.
W. H. Eldred, Esq. | J. B. Hoare, Esq.

Marine and Fire risks of every description accepted at current rates.

E. L. MONTEFIORE, Manager.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

NEW ZEALAND ACCIDENT INSURANCE COMPANY.

Capital, £100,000, Unlimited Liability.

Policies granted, covering risks of all kinds.

Compensation for total and partial disablement, £1 to £7 weekly, with £100 to £1000 at death from Accident. Railway, Tram, Riding, Driving, Travellers by Land and Sea insured.

No doctor's certificate required.

The satisfaction of having the risk covered, is worth many times the amount of premium.

L. HAGUE SMITH,
Branch Manager,
81, Pitt-street.

THE NEW SOUTH WALES MORTGAGE LOAN AND AGENCY COMPANY (Limited).

Capital—£1,000,000.

Trustees:
Lord ASHLEY
Lord COLIN CAMPBELL, M.P.

Directors:
Sir HENRY BARKLY, K.C.B., G.C.M.G.
Lord GEORGE G. CAMPBELL
JAMES COWAN, Esq., M.P.
JOHN HENDERSON, Esq., J.P.
J. RAMSAY L'AMY, Esq., F.R.S.E.
ALEXANDER M'ARTHUR, Esq., M.P.

Local Directors:
The Hon. Sir GEORGE WIGRAM ALLEN, K.C.M.G.
The Hon. J. B. WATT, M.L.C.
R. D. ADAMS, Esq.

Solicitors:
Messrs. ALLEN and ALLEN.

This Company is now prepared to make advances on Freehold and Leasehold Estates, Stock, Station and other properties.

Full particulars and forms of application can be obtained by applying to

JOHN UPWARD Secretary.

Office 83, New Pitt-street Sydney.

THE CALIFORNIA REDWOOD COMPANY, Limited.

Incorporated under the Companies Acts 1862 and 1880.
Capital, £900,000.
Offices—123, George-street, Edinburgh.
The California Redwood Company.
Office—406, California-street.
Mills—Eureka, Humboldt Co.; Trinidad, Humboldt Co.,
San Francisco, California.

This company is prepared to contract for cargoes of California REDWOOD, to be shipped direct from their mills, at current market prices.

The company will load ships sent to San Francisco or Humboldt Bay, or will furnish cargoes, cost, freight, and insurance.

FALKNER, BELL, and CO., Agents,
San Francisco, California.

BOXING DAY.—Land SALE at LITTLE COOGEE. Call for Litho. Thos. O'Toole, 112, Pitt-street.

PROSPECTUS of the SOUTH CREEK SLAUGHTERING, WOOL SCOURING, and FELLMONGERING COMPANY, Limited.

Capital, £40,000; in 40,000 Shares of £1 each.

£20,000 to be paid for purchase of the Estate (out of this amount the Vendors pay all expenses for floating the Company) and £20,000 for working expenses.

On application, 5s per share
On allotment, 5s per share,
and the balance as required at intervals of not less than 3 months.

Directors:
GEORGE C. LOUGHNAN, Esq., M.L.A.
ALEXANDER BOWMAN, Esq.
The Hon. ROBERT WISDOM, M.L.A.
DAVID DALE, Esq.

Bankers:
COMMERCIAL BANK.

Brokers:
MELHADO and CURTIS, 121, Pitt-street, Sydney.

Solicitor:
GRIFFITH RUSSELL JONES, Esq.

The following is a fair estimate of the working of this company:—

Slaughter say 1000 head of cattle per week, at net profit of 15s each ...	£750 0 0
Ditto 5000 sheep ditto, ditto 2s ditto ...	500 0 0
Net profit per week ...	£1,250 0 0

Say returns per annum, 50 weeks show net profit of ... £62,500 0 0 per annum
Besides the profits on fellmongering and woolscouring.

Read sub-leader of Sydney Morning Herald of Saturday last, the 15th instant.

A large number of shares having been applied for, the Company will start operations so soon as the balance are taken up. Applications for shares to be made to

MELHADO and CURTIS,
Pitt-street.

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY.

Established 1863.
Capital, £1,000,000 sterling.
SYDNEY OFFICE—58, Margaret-street, Wynyard-square.
MARINE RISKS accepted at lowest current rates.
JAMES MOIR and CO., Agents.

Public Notices.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

IN EQUITY.

Between EDWARD QUINN, plaintiff; and JAMES CROMBIE GRAY, ERNEST W. EAGAR, and CLAUDE HERBERT LYONS, defendants.

TAKE NOTICE that this action was on the seventeenth day of October, 1883, commenced against you and ERNEST W. EAGAR and CLAUDE HERBERT LYONS, in the Supreme Court of New South Wales, in its Equity Jurisdiction, by EDWARD QUINN, for a declaration of the plaintiff's interest in a certain newspaper called the Maitland Mail and the partnership assets thereof, and for payment to the plaintiff of what may be found to be due to him by you and the defendant Ernest W. Eagar, as co-partners, and for an injunction to restrain the defendants and each of them from selling, dealing, or parting with any of the said partnership assets, and that the Court has authorised service of the statement of claim in the said action on you, the said defendant, JAMES CROMBIE GRAY, by the insertion of this notice three times in the Sydney Morning Herald and three times in the Melbourne Argus, newspapers.

And further take notice that you are required to appear to the said statement of claim on or before the twenty-fifth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four, otherwise the action will proceed against you as for default of appearance.

Dated this 21st day of December, A.D. 1883.

JOHN M'LAUGHLIN,
Attorney for plaintiff,
Temple-court, Sydney.

To the defendant, James Crombie Gray, Merribee Park, Wyndham, Victoria.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

ECCLESIASTICAL JURISDICTION.

In the Estate and Effects of JOHN ARTHUR SHILCOCK, late of Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Commercial Traveller, deceased, intestate.

PURSUANT to the Trust Property Act of 1862, Notice is hereby given that all creditors, and other persons having any claims upon or affecting the estate of the abovenamed deceased, who died on the 27th day of October last past (and Letters of Administration of whose estate and effects were on the 28th day of November last past granted by the Supreme Court of New South Wales, in its Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, to FANNY HARRIET SHILCOCK, the Widow of the said deceased), are hereby required to send in full particulars thereof, addressed to the undersigned, on or before the 28th day of December instant, at the expiration of which time the said administratrix will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard to the claims and debts only of which she shall then have had notice, and she will not be liable for the assets so distributed to any person of whose claim or debt she shall not have had notice at the time of such distribution.

Dated the 13th day of December, A.D. 1883.

HENRY C. COLYER, Proctor for the Administratrix, 128, Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN, GLEBE.

The Committee acknowledge with thanks the following subscriptions:—

	£	s	d
Mr. A. F. Smart ...	£2	2	0
Messrs. Bull and Co. ...	2	2	0
Messrs. Garrick and Co. ...	2	2	0
Mr. G. Robertson ...	1	1	0
Mrs. M. Levy ...	1	1	0
Mr. W. Lamb ...	2	2	0
Messrs. Mason Brothers ...	2	6	0
Messrs. T. W. Eady and Sons ...	1	1	0
Mr. T. H. Newman ...	1	1	0
Mr. J. Milson ...	2	2	0
Mr. Geo. Knox ...	3	3	0
Patients' payments ...	26	4	6
Mr. S. Anderson ...	1	1	0
Executors of late J. V. Histon ...	10	0	0
N. S. W. Congregational Sunday School Union ...	10	0	0
Patients' payments ...	14	12	6
I. X. L. ...	2	2	0
Mrs. R. Richards, Holkham ...	3	3	0
Mrs. Charlotte Sly ...	1	1	0
No. 16 Lodge— Mr. W. G. Wilson Mr. Allan M'Dermott Mr. George Hotton	3	3	0
Messrs. J. Frazer and Co. ...	2	2	0
Mr. J. Struth ...	1	1	0
Mr. M. Metcalfe ...	1	1	0
Mr. R. Miller ...	0	10	6
Messrs. J. T. and J. Toohey ...	1	0	0
Messrs. Hardy Brothers ...	1	1	0
Messrs. Feldheim, Gotthelf, and Co. ...	1	1	0
Mr. F. W. Binney ...	0	10	6
Dr. G. Fortescue ...	2	2	0

ROBERT J. KING, Hon. Treasurer.

HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN, GLEBE.

The Committee acknowledge with thanks the following contributions:—

Miss Betts, Glebe Point, fresh eggs
Dr. Bedford, a rocking-horse
Miss Ethel Eaton, a large doll
Mrs. R. L. Tooth, a large doll's house
Mr. Hamilton White, Girls' Magazine for one year
Messrs. Gibbs, Shallard, and Co., Illustrated News
Pitt-street Congregational Church, quantity of flowers
Newtown Congregational Church, ditto
Miss Walker, Yaralla, case of oranges
Flower Ladies, flowers weekly
Mort Memorial Fund, 7 large framed engravings
Miss Betts, flowers and eggs
Sunday School, N. Willoughby, flowers
St. Paul's, Redfern, ditto
Mrs. Heil, Glebe-road, 2 tins biscuits
A Friend, parcel of old books.

ROBERT J. KING,
Hon. Treasurer.

FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

LENDING BRANCH.

NOTICE TO BORROWERS.

The ISSUE OF BOOKS will be SUSPENDED from the 18th to the 31st instant, for STOCK-TAKING.

The LIBRARY will be OPEN DAILY, during the usual hours, viz., from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., to RECEIVE BOOKS from borrowers.

ALL BOOKS must be returned on or before 27th December, and all persons holding overdue books are requested to RETURN SAME WITHOUT DELAY.

By order.

R. C. WALKER,
Principal Librarian.

December 17, 1883.

IN THE WILL of BERNARD MONAGHAN, late of Cowra, in the colony of New South Wales, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all creditors and other persons having any DEBTS or CLAIMS against the estate of the abovenamed deceased are requested to send in particulars thereof to DENIS DONNELLY and ELLEN MONAGHAN, of Cowra, Executor and Executrix named in the said Will, within three weeks from this date.

Dated this 21st day of December, 1883.

Address—

DENIS DONNELLY,
Great Western Stores,
Cowra.

IN the ASSIGNED ESTATE of DENIS DANIHER,

of Port Macquarie.—All persons having claims against this estate are requested to send to Messrs. Stewart and Co., 74, Clarence-street, particulars thereof, on or before January 16, 1884, or they will be excluded all benefit in distribution of the estate.

Dec. 20, 1883. J. STEWART, E. B. HENNING, Trustees.

THORPE'S PRESENTATION.

The PRESENTATION will take place at the Shipmasters' Association Room, No. 5, Bridge-street, on MONDAY, December 24, 1883, at 3 p.m. All Shipmasters, Officers, and Subscribers are invited to attend.

The chair will be occupied by Mr. See, M.L.A., and other prominent members of Parliament will be present.

WILLIAM H. ALLEN,
Hon. Secretary.

NOTICE.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

If the Furniture Van, formerly belonging to Thomas Thorp, left on the premises of the Sydney Tramway and Omnibus Company's premises, at Newtown, is not removed and all expenses paid within seven days, the same will be sold without further notice.

W. SHENSTONE, Secretary.

Head Office—66, King-street, Sydney.

NOTICE.—Mr. QUINN, Painter.—If you do not finish your CONTRACT to agreement, I shall finish it at your risk. Philip C. Williams.

CAUTION.—I will not be responsible for any DEBTS contracted by my Wife, on and after this date. December 20, 1883. Alexander Murray, 107, Duke-street, Woolloomooloo.

CAUTION.—I will not be accountable for any DEBTS contracted in my name, without my written order. C. W. HILL, Markets.

TO TRADESPEOPLE AND OTHERS.—I hereby give notice that I shall NOT be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBTS contracted by my WIFE, Sarah Sharkey, she having left her home without any cause.

DENNIS SHARKEY, Leichhardt.

December 19th, 1883.

BOXING DAY.—Land SALE at LITTLE COOGEE. Call for Litho. Thos. O'Toole, 112, Pitt-street.

COOGEE PARK Sale THIS DAY. Trams at 1.30 and 2 p.m. SMITH, CHAPMAN, and SMITH.

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY OF NEW SOUTH WALES, SYDNEY.

NOMINATIONS (by letter) for fifteen (15) members for the Council of this Society will be received up to 31st instant inclusive, addressed to

R. W. GRIERSON, Secretary,
347, George-street.

HUTCHINSON ESTATE, CHIPPENDALE.

TO THE TENANTS OF BLOCK A.

Mr. EDWARD BLUNSUM, of the Circular Quay House and Estate Agency, No. 4, Pitt-street, has This Day been appointed SOLE COLLECTOR of the Ground Rents upon this portion of the Hutchinson Estate.

Tenants are therefore requested to pay to him all rents that are now due.

(Signed) SOPHIA ELDER.

By her Attorney. SYDNEY A. WANT.

Sydney, December 10, 1883.

NOTICE.

NEW SOUTH WALES GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS AND TRAMWAYS ADVERTISING COMPANY.

The above Company having secured the right to advertise on the Railway Stations of New South Wales from the 1st of January, 1884, hereby give notice that all Advertisements now in existence cease on the 31st December instant, and all firms wishing to continue such advertisements must arrange for the same with the undersigned at the Office of the Company, 29, Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

THOMAS ATKINSON, Manager.

Messrs. W. T. Coonan and Co., Messrs. Macnamara and Ochiltree, solicitors for the Company.

83-102. Town Clerk's Office, Sydney,
22nd December, 1883.

PERMANENT LEVELS.

NOTICE is hereby given that Plans and Sections showing the proposed PERMANENT LEVELS of the public ways hereunder mentioned are now lying at the Office of the City Surveyor for public inspection, and will remain so for one month from the above date, in order that any objections thereto by persons interested may be lodged with the undersigned for the consideration of the Council before the final adoption of said plans:—

1. ANN-STREET, from Riley-street to the intersection of the south side of Ann-street, with Little Riley-street (alteration of levels).
2. LITTLE RILEY-STREET, north of Ann-street, for a distance of about sixty feet from its intersection with that street (alteration of levels).

T. A. BUTTERFIELD,
Town Clerk pro tem.

83-100. Town Clerk's Office, Sydney,
22nd December, 1883.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

The TOWN HALL OFFICES will be CLOSED from 12 o'clock on MONDAY, the 24th, until 9 o'clock on WEDNESDAY MORNING, the 2nd January, 1884.

T. A. BUTTERFIELD,
Town Clerk pro tem.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

The OFFICES of the undermentioned FIRE INSURANCE COMPANIES will be CLOSED from 1 p.m. on SATURDAY, the 22nd instant, until THURSDAY, the 27th instant, at 9 a.m.:—

The Imperial Insurance Company
The Alliance British and Foreign Assurance Company
The Liverpool, London, and Globe Insurance Company
The Royal Insurance Company
The Victoria Insurance Company
The Pacific Insurance Company
The United Insurance Company
The London and Lancashire Insurance Company
The Australian Alliance Insurance Company
The Norwich Union Insurance Society
The Lancashire Insurance Company
The New Zealand Insurance Company
The Commercial Union Assurance Company
The Northern Assurance Company
The National (New Zealand) Insurance Company
The Union (New Zealand) Insurance Company
The Cornwall Insurance Company
The Standard (New Zealand) Insurance Company
The Colonial Mutual Insurance Company
The North British and Mercantile Insurance Company
The Phœnix Insurance Company
The Hamburg-Magdeburg Insurance Company
The Mercantile Mutual Insurance Company
The Fire Insurance Association
The Hanseatic Insurance Company
The Prussian National Insurance Company
The Guardian Assurance Company
The London and Provincial Insurance Company
The Australian Mutual Fire Insurance Society
The City Mutual Insurance Company.

CHARLES BOWN,
Secretary, F. B. E.

THE undermentioned MARINE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED on MONDAY, TUESDAY, and WEDNESDAY, 24th, 25th, and 26th December:—

Australian General Assurance Company
Australian Alliance Assurance Company
Adelaide Marine and Fire Assurance Company
Batavia Insurance Company
Colonial Mutual Insurance Company
Colonial Insurance Company of New Zealand
Commercial Marine Insurance Company
Derwent and Tamar Assurance Company
Globe Marine Insurance Company, Limited
Indemnity Insurance Company
Mercantile Marine Insurance Company of South Australia
National Insurance Company of New Zealand
New Zealand Insurance Company
Pacific Insurance Company
South British Insurance Company
Sydney Marine Assurance Company
Standard Fire and Marine Insurance Company
United Insurance Company
Union Insurance Society of Canton
Union Insurance Company of New Zealand
Victoria Fire and Marine Insurance Company.

JAMES ANDERSON, Secretary,
Sydney Underwriters' Association.

AUSTRALIAN MUTUAL PROVIDENT SOCIETY.

Head Office: 87, Pitt-street, Sydney.

The Offices of this Society will be CLOSED on MONDAY, TUESDAY, and WEDNESDAY, the 24th, 25th, and 26th December. Premiums, the last days of grace for payment of which fall on any of these dates, will be received on THURSDAY, 27th instant.

By order of the Board.

Secretary.

THE OFFICES of the undersigned Firms will be CLOSED on MONDAY, TUESDAY, and WEDNESDAY next, December 24, 25, and 26.

(Signed)
RICHARDSON and WRENCH
MILLS and PILE
HARDIE and GORMAN
BATT, RODD, and PURVES
SMITH, CHAPMAN, and SMITH
WATKIN and WATKIN
WITHERS, CALLAGHAN, and BROWN.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

MONDAY, TUESDAY, and WEDNESDAY,
24th, 25th, and 26th instant.

The undermentioned INSTITUTIONS will be CLOSED on the above days:—

Equitable Permanent Benefit Building Institution, Metropolitan Mutual Permanent Building and Investment Association, Limited, Mutual Provident Building Society, New South Wales Property Investment Company, National Permanent Building Society, Permanent Mutual Benefit Building Society, Sydney and Provincial Building Company, Nos. 3 and 5 Starr Bowkett Benefit Building Societies.

ST. JOSEPH'S INVESTMENT AND BUILDING SOCIETY,

85, Elizabeth-street.

The OFFICES of the above Society will CLOSE on SATURDAY, 22nd instant, and RE-OPEN on THURSDAY, 27th instant.

E. J. RUBIE,
Manager.

THE NATIONAL MUTUAL LIFE ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALASIA, Limited.

32, Hunter-street, Sydney.

The OFFICES of the above association will be CLOSED for the CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS from MONDAY, 24th, to WEDNESDAY, 26th instant inclusive.

HENRY F. FRANCIS,
Res. Secretary.

AUSTRALIAN MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE SOCIETY.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

The OFFICES of this Society will be CLOSED from Monday, the 24th, until Wednesday, the 26th instant, both inclusive.

By order of the Board,

WALTER CHURCH,
Manager.

22nd December, 1883.

MUTUAL LIFE ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALASIA.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

This Office will be CLOSED on MONDAY, TUESDAY, and WEDNESDAY, 24th to 26th instant.

By order of the Board.

J. C. REMINGTON,
Secretary.

Sydney, 21st December, 1883.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.—Our Establishment will be OPEN as usual on MONDAY Next, 24th instant.

DAVID JONES and COMPANY.

THE WAREHOUSE of the undersigned will be CLOSED for the CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS during MONDAY, TUESDAY, and WEDNESDAY, 24th, 25th, and 26th December.

BRISCOE, DRYSDALE, and CO.,
George-street.

18th December, 1883.

THE Warehouse of the undersigned will be CLOSED for the Christmas Holidays, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday.

HEYDE, TODMAN, and CO.,
51, York-street, Wynyard-square.

EARLY CLOSING.—Wiesener's Jewellery shop will CLOSE at 1 on SATURDAYS after the New Year.

NOTICE.

The OFFICES and WAREHOUSES of the undersigned will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 22nd instant, at 1 o'clock, until THURSDAY MORNING, the 27th.

JOHN FRAZER and CO.

NOTICE.—The undersigned, in reply to inquiries, beg to notify that their Establishment will be OPEN as usual for the convenience of their customers on MONDAY, December 24th.

F. LASSETTER and CO., Limited,
George-street, Sydney.

BOXING DAY.—Land SALE at LITTLE COOGEE. Call for Litho. Thos. O'Toole, 112, Pitt-street.

COOGEE PARK Sale THIS DAY. Trams at 1.30 and 2 p.m. SMITH, CHAPMAN, and SMITH.

HAVE you seen the Christmas Presents in FULLER'S Window, 385-7, George-street?

A BRILLIANT DISPLAY of Goods at the Royal Furnishing Arcade To-day. Open until 9 p.m.

THE ROYAL FURNISHING ARCADE will be open until 9 o'clock this evening. CAMPBELL BROTHERS.

Public Notices.

NOTICE is hereby given, that an Application will be made to the Parliament of New South Wales during the present session, for leave to bring in a bill to the said Parliament authorising the Mittagong Coal-mining Company, Limited, to construct and maintain a Railway to connect the lands of the said company situated at Mittagong, in the parish of Jellore, in the colony of New South Wales, with the Great Southern Railway, and to fix terms of purchase or compensation for the lands taken for such railway, or any stations or appointments in connection therewith, and for other purposes, so as to enable the said company to profitably work the coal mine situated on the said land.

Dated the twentieth day of December, A.D. 1883.
A. J. DODDS,
Solicitor for the bill.
48, Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

CIVIL SERVICE BUILDING SOCIETY, 184, PITT-STREET.
The Offices of THIS SOCIETY will be CLOSED from 1 o'clock THIS DAY (Saturday) till 9 a.m. THURSDAY NEXT, 27th instant.
W. S. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

THE Warehouse of the undersigned will be open as usual on MONDAY, the 24th instant.
JOHN BARDSLEY and CO.,
Wholesale Grocers, &c., 93, Bathurst-street.

NOTICE.
The WAREHOUSE of the undersigned will be CLOSED from 1 o'clock on Saturday, the 22nd instant, until Thursday morning, 27th instant.
YOUNG and LARK, Moore-street.

THE OFFICES of the undersigned will be CLOSED every SATURDAY during vacation, i.e., from 20th DECEMBER, 1883, to 9th FEBRUARY, 1884. M'Culloch and Pope, 121, Pitt-street, Sydney.

NOTICE.
The WAREHOUSE of the undersigned will be CLOSED from Saturday, 22nd instant, at 1 o'clock, until Thursday morning, the 27th.
PRECIOUS, DOUST, and CO.

ESTABLISHMENTS of R. BURTON, 4, Hunter-st. and 105, William-st., CLOSED from Saturday till Thursday.

NOTICE.—The Office and Warehouse of the undersigned will be CLOSED for the Christmas holidays, MONDAY, TUESDAY, and WEDNESDAY. INGLIS, BROWN, and CO., 28, Charlotte-place.

OUR Establishment will be Open, as usual, on Monday next, 24th instant. Hardy Bros., 13, Hunter-street.

DR. MORRIS will be absent from his Consulting-rooms from SATURDAY (To-day), noon, to THURSDAY, 27th, 9.30 a.m. 57, Castlereagh-street.

FRANCIS R. PEEL absent from practice. See Educational Column.

SALVATION ARMY.—ELEVENTH LIST.

List No. 10	£392	7	5
T. W. Craven—second donation	40	0	0
Sundry friends	5	0	0
Total	£437	7	5

R. C. BARKER, Treasurer, 36, Market-street.

AUSTRALIAN JOCKEY CLUB.
Members desirous of serving on the Committee of the A. J. C. for the ensuing year must be nominated with the undersigned, in accordance with the provisions of rule 24, on or before MONDAY, December 26, 1883.
T. S. CLIBBORN,
Sec. A. J. C.
163, King-street, Sydney.

PUBLIC NOTICE.—V. FARRAN is the only genuine clean and wholesome ICE CREAM MAKER; has no connection with any of the ma'zena ice cream makers.
Parties and picnics supplied with ice at the company's price.
Please note the address—Montezuma House, 36, Waverley-road, Woollahra.

TRADE PROTECTIVE INSTITUTE, Temple-court, King-street, established 1878.—Daily and weekly private Circular, containing full extracts of registered securities, writs, &c., with half-yearly indices. Collection of debts, winding up of estates, &c., undertaken. Prospectus on application. Members' roll now exceeds 2000. Bretnall Brothers, proprietors.

TRADE PROTECTIVE INSTITUTE, Temple-court, King-street.
The Offices of the above will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 22nd, to WEDNESDAY, the 26th instants, both inclusive, for the Christmas Holidays.
BRETNALL BROTHERS.

NATIONAL PERMANENT BUILDING, LAND, and INVESTMENT SOCIETY, 58, Park-street.
Members are requested to forward their Pass Books at once for Audit previous to declaration of bonus for the year ending December 31, 1883.
JAMES A. TODD,
Manager.

ENGLISH, SCOTTISH, AND AUSTRALIAN CHARTERED BANK.
A BRANCH of this Bank is now open at BALMAIN (in temporary premises, Darling-street) for the transaction of all usual banking business.
FLETCHER DIXON, Manager.
December 12, 1883.

N. S. W. MONT DE PIETE COMPANY advances on Clothing, Jewellery, Mathematical, Musical, and Surgical Instruments, &c., &c., from 5s upwards. Don't make any mistake. The new building, and a side entrance for pledging.
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General Manager.

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City-chambers, 248, Pitt-street,
Sydney.

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Messrs. Granet, Brown, and Co., Genoa,
Italian Produce, &c.
Messrs. Austin and Dodson, Sheffield,
Steel, Tools, Files, &c.
The Artistic Stationery Co., London,
and
The Italian Artistic Association,
Works of Art, &c.,
Novelties.

WHOLESALE ONLY.

MORT'S WOOL WAREHOUSES, SYDNEY.
LIBERAL ADVANCES made on
WOOL, SHEEPSKINS, TALLOW, HIDES, WHEAT, TIN ORE, and Other Produce,
for SALE OR SHIPMENT.
MORT and CO., Limited,
Wool Warehouses,
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Wool and Produce Brokers,
FAT STOCK SALESMEN, Stock and Station Agents,
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OFFICE and STORES—Circular Quay, Sydney.
Liberal Advances, if required, made on all Produce or Stock consigned to us.

JAMES MOIR AND CO.
Stock, Station, and General
Commission Agents,
55, Margaret-street, Sydney.
Liberal advances made on STATIONS and STOCK;
also on WOOL, TALLOW, HIDES, and all COLONIAL PRODUCE consigned to them for sale or shipment.

ENGLISH AGENCY.—The undersigned, established in London upwards of twenty years, confine themselves exclusively to a General Commission Business, are well acquainted with Australian requirements, and possess special facilities for purchasing goods to the best advantage in the English markets.
Indents should be accompanied by cash remittances, or bank letters of credit, to ensure full trade discounts. Account sales of produce under consignment rendered promptly, and net proceeds invested to order, every attention being devoted to the eligible shipment and insurance of all goods passing through their hands.
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ADVANCES made on Wool, Metals, and other Colonial Produce for Sale here, in London, or elsewhere. Credits granted for purchase of goods, and indents executed on the most favourable terms, through our London house, Messrs. WATT, GILCHRIST, and CO., 4, East India Avenue, Leadenhall-street.
GILCHRIST, WATT, and CO.
Lloyd's Agency.

CAUTION.—All trespassers (without respect to persons) on the Sutherland House Estate (including Cummins' Point), George's River, will be prosecuted with the utmost rigour of the law.
F. J. ELLIS HOLT.
F. G. ELLIS HOLT.
Sutherland House, Sylvania,
December 13, 1883.

THE UNDERSIGNED are Purchasers of Wool, Tin, Copper, Pearlshell, Copra, Tallow, and all descriptions of Colonial Produce, or will make liberal advances on same if consigned to them for sale. MONTEFIORE, JOSEPH, and CO.

THE UNDERSIGNED will make liberal advances on WOOL or other PRODUCE consigned to their London House.
YOUNG and LARK.

WOOL.
The undersigned effects the SALE of WOOL in this market by private contract, and is prepared, if a satisfactory price cannot be obtained, to ship under liberal advances to his London Agent (Mr. Edward Stavenhagen), under whose personal supervision, with that of Mr. Rudolph Kaumann, all consignments are realised.
HENRY AUSTIN, 79, Pitt-street.

WOOL AND OTHER PRODUCE.
ADVANCES MADE on STATIONS and STOCK, also on WOOL and OTHER PRODUCE for sale in Sydney, or for shipment to London.
ALL STATION REQUISITES SUPPLIED.
DALGETY, BLACKWOOD, and CO.
5, Bent-street, Sydney, and Watt-street, Newcastle; and at London, Melbourne, Geelong, Launceston, Dunedin, and Christchurch.

WOOL.
W. H. CHARD and CO., Macquarie-place, Sydney,
PURCHASE WOOL ON COMMISSION;
also
Make liberal Advances on Wool for sale in London.
Wool classed and reported upon.
Wool repacked, over 100 bales per day if required.

WOOL WOOL WOOL.
CLIP 1883-4.
WE are prepared to RECEIVE CONSIGNMENTS of the SEASON'S CLIP OF WOOL for SALE in Sydney, or shipment to London, the Continent, and America.
BRUNKER and WOLFE,
AUCTIONEERS,
21 and 23, HUNTER-STREET, SYDNEY,
and
WEST MAITLAND.

WOOL, TALLOW, HIDES, TIN, and COPPER.—The undersigned make Liberal ADVANCES on all COLONIAL PRODUCE consigned to them for SALE in SYDNEY, or for shipment to LONDON. JAMES MOIR and CO., 55, Margaret-street, Sydney.

CHRISTMAS EVE.—RILEY BROTHERS are the cheapest for Men's and Boys' Clothing, Shirts, Hats, &c.

TOYS, Fancy Goods, &c., suitable for Christmas presents, [illegible] American Novelty Company.

WOOL. WOOL. WOOL.
SEASON 1883-84.
HILL, CLARK, and CO.,
SYDNEY.

TO THE WOOL GROWERS OF NEW SOUTH WALES AND QUEENSLAND.

The rapid approach of the incoming wool season reminds us to tender our thanks for the very liberal support which has been accorded to us during past years; and while doing so we take the opportunity to solicit a continuance of the same support in the future which we have enjoyed in the past.
On referring to our circular issued last year we find that we therein anticipated a large increase in the quantity of wool which would be sold in these colonies, and the result proved that we were correct. We also predicted that the prices obtained in the colonies would be in favour of those growers who sold in the
LOCAL MARKET,
and this also has been fully borne out by facts.
We are also glad to say that this market all through the last season was extremely active, and the large quantity of wool sold proves that
SYDNEY
is fast becoming what it is destined to be in future the
WOOL MARKET OF AUSTRALIA.
We have therefore no hesitation in urging upon growers the advantage of first offering their wool here, where buyers from all the manufacturing countries of Europe and America attend to supply their wants from
FIRST HANDS.
Failing sales in Sydney we are prepared to ship to our London Agents, making liberal cash advances.
When sales are effected
OUR CHARGES
are made on as low a scale as possible, and all wool offered in our Warehouses, and not sold, is subject only to the nominal charge of
ONE SHILLING PER BALE,
which covers receiving, delivering, weighing, and storage accommodation.
Our Warehouses are particularly well lighted, and are most conveniently arranged for the display of wool in any quantity, to the greatest advantage.
The most careful attention is given to the valuing of every lot both large and small, so that nothing will be sold under the full market value.
Way-bills and all further information forwarded upon application.

HILL, CLARK, and CO.,
WOOL WAREHOUSES,
CIRCULAR QUAY.
OFFICES,
129, PITT-STREET, SYDNEY.

Government Notices.

Department of Mines, Stock Branch, Sydney,
December 20, 1883.

RABBIT NUISANCE ACT OF 1883.
NOTICE TO THE UNEMPLOYED.
It is hereby notified for public information that, in consequence of the scarcity of labour in the Rabbit-infested Districts (being the South-western portion of the colony), the Government are prepared to grant free passes by railway towards these districts to capable persons in search of work in connection with the destruction of Rabbits.
Personal applications for such passes are to be made to the Chief Inspector of Stock, 174, Phillip-street, Sydney, on or before the 3rd January, 1884.
ALEX. BRUCE,
Chief Inspector of Stock.

Department of Public Instruction, Sydney,
19th December, 1883.

TENDERS FOR ADDITIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS.
TENDERS are invited for Additions and Improvements at the Ryde Public School.
Plans and specifications may be seen, and forms of tender obtained, at the office of the Department of Public Instruction, Sydney.
Tenders, endorsed "Tender for Additions and Improvements, Ryde Public School," must be lodged with the Acting Under-Secretary, Department of Public Instruction, at or before 10 o'clock a.m. on WEDNESDAY, the 9th January, 1884.
The Minister does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

Business Cards.

A CARD.—SIMS and PARKES, Wholesale and Retail Herbalists. Treat all diseases. 240, George-street North.

A CARD.—MAPPIN BROTHERS, Plain and Fancy Paper Box Manufacturers, 75, Bathurst-street West.

ALL CHRONIC DISEASES consult R. T. SELBY, Medical Herbalist, Devonshire-street, Surry Hills.

ADVICE GRATIS.—Dr JACKSON, 10, Macquarie-street South, treats all diseases. Charges moderate.

A. COX, Silk, Woollen, and Cotton Dyer, Scourer, and Hot-presser, 61, William-street, Woolloomooloo; 853, Railway Bridge; and 50, Hunter-street. Gentlemen's apparel scoured and properly pressed daily. Mourning dyed on the shortest notice.

ARTIFICIAL TEETH.—CARTER and SON, Dentists (from London), employ latest English principles, to ensure perfect fit, and natural appearance, at moderate cost. All dental operations skilfully performed. 32, College-street, near Museum.

A. A. DEBNEY and CO.,
successors to
HOBSON and WHITING,
GENTLEMEN'S OUTFITTERS, &c.,
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ARTIFICIAL TEETH made on the most approved modern principles; warranted to combine fit, comfort, and durability with perfectly natural appearance. All dental operations performed with skill. Teeth stopped and extracted painlessly. Charges strictly moderate. MARSHALL BROTHERS, Surgeon-Dentists, 104 and 106, Market-street, near Hyde Park.

A CARD.—The FIRST PRIZE and Highest Award for Mechanical Dentistry at the SYDNEY INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION.—The N. S. W. Agricultural Exhibition Medal for 8 years successively, the London International Medal, and the Philadelphia Centennial Medal for Artificial Teeth have been gained by Mr. John Spencer, against all competitors.
PAINLESS EXTRACTION by the aid of Nitrous Oxide Gas.
Mr. JOHN SPENCER,
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BABY LINEN, cheapest in Sydney; plain figure prices. Mrs. T. C. HINCHCLIFFE, 121 and 123, Oxford-street.

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CORNS, Bunions, and Defective Nails Cured by Mr. G. ALEXANDER, Surgeon Chiropodist, 113, Pitt-street.

DEAD HORSES and Cattle REMOVED, reasonable terms. T. Lomax, 14, Goulburn and Sussex streets.

DR. GEORGE ON LEE, 46, Wynyard-square North, Sydney, will see patients as usual.

DOWNES' DISPENSARY, 36, Park-street. Prescriptions faithfully prepared at moderate charges. Trusses, Surgical Instruments, and all appliances for the sick room. Teeth carefully extracted, painless, without objectionable gas.

DURING THE XMAS HOLIDAYS
Mrs. KILMINSTER,
of the CLARENDON HOTEL, MANLY,
Will supply residents with a SINGLE BOTTLE of either Beer, Wine, or Spirits at WHOLESALE PRICES. All the best brands kept in stock.

EDWARD WATERS, International Patent and Trade Marks Office. Fred. Walsh, manager. 41, Hunter-street.

FLOWER SHOW.—At the American Novelty Co., Pitt-street (only). Everybody invited.

GAS STOVE "Victory" versus tile-lined Gas Stoves. See public notices. Raleigh, 253, Elizabeth-street.

GET your worn Electroplated-ware REPLATED by Watson and Crane, steam works, 326, Pitt-street.

GLORIOUS SIGHT of a Saturday night, Nos. 21 and 22, Lower Paddy's Market. Cheap Clothing.

HAVE you seen the Christmas Presents in FULLER'S Window, 335-7, George-street?

HOW HOT IT IS.—Self-registering Garden THERMOMETERS, 2s 6d. Higgins and Co., 110, Market-street.

HAIRWORK of Every Description.—Artificial BOUQUETS. Wreaths for Framing, Bracelets, Chains, Rings, &c. Plaits and Curls for the head made to order, by
Miss L. HINDER,
corner Castlereagh and Market streets, over Grocery (late King-street). Combings made up.

IF you want your STOVE Repaired, call or send to J. Ward, Allington Works, 414, Crown-street.

INSTITUTE and Boarding-House for young Women. Mildmay House, Oxford-st., Paddington. Classes, library.

JOHN O'GRADY (late of Blake and Co.), Wine and Spirit Merchant.
Cellars: Nos. 7 and 8, Tattersall's-buildings, Castlereagh and Hunter streets.
Entrance from Hunter-street.
Irish and Scotch whiskies of best brands and very old.

LEFT-OFF CLOTHING and old gold JEWELLERY wanted, large or small quantities. Dawson, 155, Bathurst-st.

MADAME DEMOREST'S reliable Paper Patterns, New Jackets, Skirts; also Magazines. 123, Elizabeth-st.

MILLINERY.—English, French, Australian, plain figure prices. Mrs. T. C. Hinchcliffe, 121 and 123, Oxford-st.

MR. PATERSON, Dentist, ABSENT from Sydney till 29th instant.

MILNE BROTHERS, Engineers, Coppersmiths, Plumbers, &c., Manufacturers of Engineers' Fittings, steam Cocks, Injectors, Copper Stills, Vacuum Pans. No. 150, Sussex-street.

MR. H. N. HARRISON,
DENTIST and SPECIALIST,
will remain at home for consultation during the HOLIDAYS.
341, KING-STREET EAST.

N. S. W. MONT DE PIETE COMPANY, Limited, is now open for the transaction of business. Call and obtain rate of interest.
102, 104, 106, Castlereagh-street, next to St. James' School.
LEWIS LEVY,
General Manager.

PYRMONT SEA BATHS, Point-street North.—These Baths, situated on a point, enjoy the advantage of a strong and everchanging current. Bathers may always rely upon clean water.

R. T. SELBY, Medical Herbalist, Devonshire-street, Surry Hills, Importer of the latest Scientific Concentrated Herbal Medicines. Established in England in the year 1860. Speciality, chronic diseases.

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SPECTACLES.—Genuine Brazilian Pebble SPECTACLES at 7s 6d. Higgins, 110, Market-street.

THE SYDNEY MAIL.
THE CHRISTMAS NUMBER,
FULL OF PICTURES,
and with COLOURED SUPPLEMENT,
is now on sale.
Price Sixpence.

TRAVELLERS BY SEA and LAND.
Portmanteaus, Trunks and Bags, Ladies' Reticules, Ladies' and Gentlemen's Fitted Bags, Dressing Cases, Tourist Bags, Writing [illegible] to select from.
JOHN BRUSH, SON, and CO., [illegible] George-street, opposite Royal Hotel.

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A CLASS for Backward Boys, every morning during holidays. Mr. Norris, writing master, 88, Elizabeth-street.

A CLASS for Schoolboys at half my usual fee during the holidays. NORRIS, Writing Master.

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A CATHOLIC young Lady is open for an ENGAGEMENT as resident or morning Governess—English, French, Music, &c. Address F. O., General Post Office. Open for a week.

ASHFORD COLLEGE, Darlinghurst-road.—Principal, Miss GULLY, assisted by 12 professors and teachers. Studies resumed January 15th. Prospectus forwarded on application.

A YOUNG LADY, recently from England, desires ENGAGEMENT as daily Governess to young children; English, French, music. Address, stating terms, Beta, Herald Office.

AVIS. Parents, Guardians, and Others.—Mr. M. A. CLEARY will receive PUPILS privately after Christmas in general English, elocution, and languages. Morning class for ladies forming. Particulars, with copies of highest references from universities, colleges, schools, and leading citizens forwarded on application. Address—Milson's Point, North Shore.

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PRIZE LIST FOR SESSION 1883.
UPPER FORM.—Percy Legge, Louis Wyatt, H. Delohery, Harry Bigh, A. Cane, E. Laycock.
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PREPARATORY.—Braham Cohen, Frank Nelson, Cecil Moses.
The holidays terminate on January 18, 1884. Vacancies for boarders. Prospectus on application.
A. G. GRAHAM, Edin. Univ., Headmaster.

BAPTIST CHURCH, Petersham.—Services in the Town Hall. Rev. I. Williams at 11; Mr. D. Davis at 7.

BEST CHRISTMAS GIFT is a Written CHART, by Signor P. BESOMO, Phrenologist, 55, Royal Arcade.

BURWOOD LADIES' SCHOOL.—CHRISTMAS Vacation terminates Jan. 28th, 1884. Cook, Sterling Cottage.

BURWOOD.—Kent House; Miss LESTER, Principal, assisted by an efficient staff of resident and visiting Professors and Teachers. The new term will (D.V.) commence January 24.

BATHURST.
ALL SAINTS' COLLEGE.
A HIGH-CLASS SCHOOL FOR SONS OF GENTLEMEN, situated on a hill overlooking Bathurst, and possessing playground of 10 acres, good cricket ground, fives court, &c., &c.
The discipline and general arrangements are based on the model of an English Public School. The curriculum is suited to the public examinations of the colony and the University matriculation. Pupils are also prepared for the Navy and for entrance into the English Public Schools.
Since its establishment this school has gained one University scholarship, and thirty-nine candidates have successfully passed the various examinations.
Terms, inclusive of drawing, washing, drill, besides instruction in physical science and the usual classical and other subjects, 15½ and 17½ guineas.
For prospectus apply to E. BEAN, B.A., Head Master.

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HIGH-CLASS SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.
Mrs. and the Misses ROSS will open the above after the Christmas vacation. The school routine will comprise all the requisites of a thorough English education, conducted on the most modern and approved system.
The principals will be assisted by a staff of visiting professors.
A limited number of resident pupils will be received, who will have the advantages of a refined home, together with most careful supervision of home studies.
References kindly permitted to clergymen, parents of pupils, &c.

CHARLTON HOUSE SCHOOLS Reopen (D.V.) 17th January. Point Piper-road, Upper Paddington.

CHALMERS CHURCH. Rev. D. SMITH (D.V.) will preach TO-MORROW, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

CHS. H. HORN, Private Tutor and Prof. of Music, some hours disengaged. Address Glebe-road.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND GRAMMAR SCHOOL, St. Philip's.—So many new pupils having been enrolled, early application necessary for few remaining vacancies.

CHRIST CHURCH GRAMMAR SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS, entitling the holders to free education for three years, will be given to the 10 Boys who gain the highest marks in English and Arithmetic at an examination to be held on January 14.
For particulars apply to Mr. THALLON.

CHRISTCHURCH GRAMMAR SCHOOL, Pitt-street South, Sydney.—Principal, Mr. J. B. THALLON, B.A. (Syd.), formerly a master in the Brisbane Grammar School, late master of the sixth form in the Girls' High School, Dunedin, N.Z., one of the few successful girls' schools in the colonies. The school will be opened with an efficient staff of teachers on January 21. The course will be the usual grammar school one; the fee, to include all subjects, 3 guineas per qr. Apply Mr. Thallon, G.P.O.

EVERTON SCHOOL, Burwood, Miss Hooter principal. Studies will D.V.) be Resumed 8th January next.

ENGLISH, French, Latin, German, drawing, fee (inclusive) 4 guineas. The Girls' High School, Elfred House, Glenmore-road, Paddington. Ensuing term Tuesday, December 22. Principal—Miss STOWE MARTIN.

FRANZ HUENERBEIN, Professor Piano, Singing, Organ, receives Pupils by lesson or quarterly. 411, George-st.

GUITAR, Mandolene, Banjo, Violin, Flute, &c., taught. Francis R. Peel, Mount Vernon-st., Forest Lodge.

GUITAR, Mandolene, Violin, Flute, &c.—FRANCIS R. PEEL will be absent from practice until January 3, 1884. Arrangements for next term as under:—Violin Classes—Advanced class as usual, at the Rooms, Monday Evening. Beginners class in future—Thursday evening; Ladies' Class Wednesday afternoon. Private pupils resume after vacation.

HIGH SCHOOL for BOYS, Glebe Point.—Principal, JAMES OLIVER, B.A.—VACANCIES for Day and Resident Pupils. Pupils prepared for the Civil Service and Matric. Exams., &c. The next quarter will begin January 21.

INSTRUCTION IN PIANOFORTE.—Mr. W. Batey, R.A.M., London, is prepared to receive a limited number of Junior Pupils for instruction in pianoforte. Terms, which are strictly moderate, on application at 329, George-street. Schools and Classes specially dealt with.

LLANFOYST-STREET ACADEMY, Victoria-street, Randwick.—Principals, the Misses HARVEY. Pupils receive sound mental and physical training, and enjoy the comforts of a well-appointed home. School work resumed 21st Jan., 1884.

MISS BIDDELL gives Lessons in Music, Singing, Theory Drawing, Painting, French, German, Latin, &c.

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MISS RAPER, Teacher of Singing. Private Lessons and Class Singing. 30, Alberto-terrace, Darlinghurst-road.

MISS WOODS, Teacher of Theory Piano, 201, Albion-st., pupil with certificate from late Chas. S. Packer, R. A. M.

MOUNT VICTORIA PUBLIC SCHOOL.—Vacancies for resident pupils; £10 per quarter. H. G. Ricketts, teacher.

MR. JOHN STEVENS receives Pupils for Pianoforte Lessons at Esold's. Resumes Tuition early in January.

MR. THALLON, B.A. (formerly of Brisbane Gram. Sch.) Prepares for University and other exams. 131, Pitt-st.

MR. C. B. FOSTER, Professor of Music, 422, Cabramatta-terrace, Castlereagh-street, opposite Exhibition.

MUSIC.—Herr W. PIETZKER will resume lessons after vacation at 3, Gordon-terrace, Liverpool-street.

MUSIC.—Miss EAMES is ready to visit or receive Pupils for the Pianoforte. 14, Oxford-street.

MRS. LLOYD, for many years Teacher of the Pianoforte at Miss Hooper's, 26, Upper Fort-street, receives pupils at her residence, Vilette, Darling-road, Balmain.

MATRIC., Law, Civ. Serv., and Junior Exams.—Classes at residence; tuition in general subjects. J. A. Dobbie, of Sydney University, visiting tutor to 11 principal ladies' colleges in Sydney. Montrose House, 148, Crown-st., n. William-st.

MISS WALKER, Trinity College London, higher certificate, theorist, and teacher of music, visits or receives pupils, prepares for examinations; terms moderate. Montague House, Burdern-street, Newtown, or Paling's.

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MR. WOOD, Principal Public School, Petersham, assisted by his son, Mr. R. G. Wood, of Sydney University, receive BOARDERS at Oramanda. The system ensures thorough grounding. Evening studies; every domestic comfort. Music, &c.

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MAYBANKE SCHOOL,
Marrickville, near Petersham.
The Schoolroom erected for the purpose, and furnished with separate desks, is large; the playground 3 acres. Professors attend.
Work will re-commence on JANUARY 21, 1884.

MISS EVA THOMPSON, Pupil of the Royal Academy of Music, winner of three Medals and Certificate for Pianoforte and Singing, also winner of two first class Certificates for Singing and Pianoforte from the London Society of Arts, begs to announce that she will be prepared to receive Pupils early in January.

MR. KNIGHT ASTON, the English Tenor, has much pleasure in announcing his intention of residing permanently in Sydney, and will be happy to receive Pupils for Vocalisation.
All communications for Concerts, Lessons, &c., address care W. H. Paling's Music Warehouse.

MISS DAVIS receives resident and day Pupils at STRATHEARN, 58, Elizabeth-street North (opposite Australian Club). Classes for Univ. Exams., &c.
Under Miss Davis' system of instruction 5 out of 6 candidates for the Junior Univ. Exam. have passed well, one obtaining the silver medal for French.
This result has been obtained in this the first year of the establishment of the school.
These pupils were prepared solely by Miss Davis.

MR. BOARDMAN (late pupil of D. Batchelder, Manchester), begs to intimate to his friends and the public generally that he has REMOVED to 165, Cleveland-street, Redfern, where he will continue to receive and visit Pianoforte Pupils.
Lessons resumed January 7, 1884. Terms moderate.

MR. HECTOR R. MACLEAN,
Professor of Music,
will have a few VACANCIES in ensuing term, and for which arrangements can now be made.
Piano, Singing, Organ, Theory.
Candidates prepared for Trinity College, London, Examinations.
The following works by Mr. Maclean obtainable at the music warehouses:—
Pianoforte Solos.—"Glocose," "La Cantatrice," "Adieu Nocturne," "Paloma." Offertoire in E flat major. Valse de Concert.
Songs.—"Blossoms of Springtide," "With Glory Enfolded," "Just for Old Love Sake," "Australia" (patriotic).
Anthems.—"Every Good Gift," "Blessed is the Man."
Address—11, Darlinghurst-road.

CHRISTMAS EVE.—The Cheapest House for Ladies' Picnic Hats and Dresses is RILEY BROTHERS.

BOXING DAY.—Land SALE at LITTLE COOGEE. Call for Litho. Thos. O'Toole, 112, Pitt-street.

MR. J. NEALE, late of King's College, London, and Tri [illegible] bridge, at the solicitation of many parents and frie[illegible] to OPEN a DAY and BOARDING SCHOOL for [illegible] most central position of Darlinghurst.
Boys will be instructed in the usual subjects of a sc[illegible] tion, but more especially with a view to the Matriculation, [illegible] Junior, and Civil Service Examinations.
Mr. Dalton wishes it to be distinctly understood that he will receive no boy as a pupil who is unable to produce a satisfactory character from his last school, and to show that he has attained a certain standard of proficiency in his work.
The fact that 31 of Mr. Dalton's private pupils during the past eighteen months have passed their respective examinations is sufficient proof of the efficiency and thoroughness of his teaching.
The school will open on January 21st, 1884. Intending pupils may be enrolled from this date. Prospectus on application.
THE QUEEN'S SCHOOL, MACLEAY-STREET.

PETERSHAM.—Granville College, West-street. Professors attend. Exam. passes. Mrs. D. Munro, Princpl.

PHONOGRAPHY taught by Mr. J. PITMAN, brother to the author and inventor. 17, Hordern-street, Newtown.

PIANO and SINGING.—Mr. Kellermann resumes tuition on 7th January. Terms at Elvy and Co.'s, George-st.

PERTH HOUSE SCHOOL, PARRAMATTA.
Principals—The Misses CLACK, assisted by the first Professors. CHRISTMAS VACATION begins 14th December and terminates 28th January, 1884.

RIVIERE COLLEGE, on the Heights of Woollahra.—Principals, Professor and Mrs. GOERGS, assisted by a staff of competent Masters and Lady Teachers. The school system comprises all the branches of a sound English education. Special advantages are offered to young ladies who desire a thorough knowledge of modern languages, music, and composition.
The elevated site of the college greatly enhances the means for physical culture, which consist in exercises within a gymnasium adapted for ladies, and in lectures on physiology and the science of health. Vacancies for boarders. Prospectuses, giving particulars and references, on application.

ROYSTON COLLEGE,
CRAIGEND, DARLINGHURST.
F. BEVILL, M.A., Headmaster,
assisted by 11 Resident and Visiting Masters.
Vacation will commence on the 13th December, 1883, and terminate on January 20, 1884.
Early application requested for vacancies for day scholars and resident pupils.
Special classes for matriculation and public exams.; also, for Civil service and Survey Office.
FIFTY-TWO candidates passed since the opening of the school in 1881.
A preparatory class is in existence for young boys from 7 years of age.
Two acres of playground.

SIGNOR PAGNOTTI, Teacher Flute and Oboe (late Italian Opera Co.). Terms, A. Huenerbein, 411, George-st.

SIGNOR GIAMMONA resumes tuition, singing and piano, 14th January. Mr. Paling's and 141, Forbes-street.

SINGING and PIANO, Petersham.—Signor Giammona visits non-resident Pupils at Gramanda, the Boulevard.

ST. STEPHEN'S Church of England Grammar School, Newtown.—Duties will be resumed January 14.

SHIRLEY COLLEGE, Edgecliff-road, Sydney. Misses MACCORMACK, assisted by professors and teachers.

SIGNOR RICCARDI
TEACHES
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SIGNOR RICCARDI
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VACANCIES for FOUR PUPILS
for ensuing quarter.
An EVENING CHORAL CLASS,
for
Mixed Voices,
in
Course of Formation.
Address—
PALING'S,
George-street.

THE Advertiser wishes to open negotiations with a view of purchasing a LADIES' SEMINARY or College within say five (5) or ten (10) miles of Sydney. Apply W. B. E., this office.

THE Rev. W. J. M. HILLYAR, B.A., late scholar of Brasenose College, and graduate in honours, Oxford, prepares candidates for all University examinations. 3, Williamwood-terrace, Oxford-street, Paddington.

THOROUGH MUSIC, FRENCH (accent acquired in France), by Professor J. Holland, author of numerous musical compositions, visits Sydney and suburbs. Address 61, Cr'esch-st., c. o. M. S. Levy, Esq., or res., Burt-st., Balmain Wt.

THE Daughter of an English Clergyman desires to meet with 6 Pupils under 12 years of age, to teach daily at her residence. English, French, rudiments of Latin, and needlework. Also gives lessons in instrumental and vocal music. Apply personally, or by letter, Miss Cox, Mrs. George, Devonshire Cottage, Darling-street East, Balmain.

TO THE RESIDENTS OF MARRICKVILLE, ST. PETERS, and Elsewhere.—Miss HAYNES (Mrs. H. C. R. Reynolds), late of Grafton, Teacher of Pianoforte for several years on the Clarence River, will receive Pupils at her residence, No. 4, Fitzroy-street, Marrickville. Theory thoroughly taught. Highest references.

THE HIGH SCHOOL, HOBART, TASMANIA.—Rector: The Rev. R. D. Poulett-Harris, M.A., Trinity College, Cambridge. Headmaster: Mr. Ed. Edmondson, Christ Church, Oxford. The salubrity of the Tasmanian Climate, combined with the high standard maintained by the Council of Education, has brought the Collegiate advantages of the colony prominently under the notice of Australian parents. The High School occupies the head place in the degree lists. It surpasses all colonial educational establishments in the healthiness and beauty of its situation, which is upon a slope bordering the Queen's Domain, and in the vicinity of the Cricket Ground and Saltwater Baths. The T. S. N. Co. issue return tickets to scholars at single fares. Prospectus and terms may be obtained from Mr. JAS. S. CUNNINGHAM, 130, Elizabeth-street, Sydney, or from the Rector.

VIOLIN.—School for beginners or advanced pupils; one guinea quarter. Pogonowski's Music Rooms, Haymarket.

WAVERLEY LADIES' COLLEGE, Old South Head-road, Waverley. Principals, Rev. James and Mrs. Moss. Quarter commences January 22. Vacancies for boarders. Pupils prepared for jun. and sen. exams. Prospectus on application.

WRENTMORE COLLEGE, South Kingston, Conducted by the Misses Cooke.
Three pupils were sent up to the University Junior Examination this year, and all passed, two in five, and one in six subjects.
To one of them the silver medal for geology was awarded.

WELLESLEY HOUSE, 1, Pitt street, Redfern. Principal—Miss BIDDELL, recently from England, who has passed with honours the Cambridge University and Cambridge and Kensington Art Examinations. Vacancies for resident and day pupils. Next term will commence January 24th.

PARRAMATTA RIVER STEAMERS and PARK TRAMWAY.—Most delightful trip out of Sydney, quick, cheap and pleasant in every way. Steamers from King-street, 8.30, 9, 11, 1, 3, 5; No. 4 Jetty, 10, 2. Return tickets single fares TO-DAY, TO-MORROW, from King-street, 9.15, 11, 2.15, 3, 6.15. It is a good time to go at 5.5 any day. See the EXHIBITION in the Park, and enjoy the music in the evening.

THE SYDNEY MAIL.
THE CHRISTMAS NUMBER,
FULL OF PICTURES,
and with COLOURED SUPPLEMENT,
is now on sale.
Price Sixpence.

COOGEE PARK Sale THIS DAY. Trams at 1.30 and 2 p.m. SMITH, CHAPMAN, and SMITH.

VISIT THE SHOWROOMS of the Royal Furnishing Arcade This Afternoon. CAMPBELL BROTHERS.

Lectures.

SOCIAL LIFE IN FRANCE.—FREE LECTURE by Mme. del FABRO, French Professor, Training School, Ashfield, THIS DAY, 22nd December, at half-past 3, in Temperance Hall, Pitt-street.

SYDNEY MECHANICS' SCHOOL OF ARTS.
A LECTURE,
with Illustrations, will be given by
MR. CYRIL HAVILAND
THIS EVENING, at 8 O'CLOCK.
Subject—POETS AND PICTURES.
JOHN HENDERSON, Secretary.

FREETHOUGHT PLATFORM.
THEATRE ROYAL, SUNDAY EVENING.
LECTURE by Dr. HUGHES, M.A., LL.D., entitled,
"TELL TRUTH and SHAME THE DEVIL."

"This is true liberty, when free-born men,
Having to advise the public, may speak free;
Which he who can, and will, deserves high praise;
Who neither can, nor will, may hold his peace;
What can be juster in a State than this?"
—MILTON.

The following Selections will be rendered during the evening under the direction of Mr. Cox, late musical director of the Capetown Philharmonic Society:—
1. Overture—"Masaniello" (Auber). 2. Selection—"William Tell" (Riviere). 3. Song—by Thomas H. Rainford. 4. March—"The Recruit" (Maas).
Doors open 7, commence quarter to 8. Sittings as usual.

SUNDAY LECTURES FOR RATIONALISTS.
Under the auspices of the
Australasian Secular Association, New South Wales Branch.
GAIETY THEATRE,
SUNDAY EVENING, December 23,
Lecture by Mr. ISAAC SELBY, late of Melbourne and New Zealand, "Is Man a Responsible Being?"
Previous to the lecture a classical entertainment will be given, during which Mr. Charles Austin's excellent band will render high-class selections.
Doors open at 7, commence 7.30.
Sittings as usual.

REV. Dr. MOORE WHITE will LECTURE in St Andrew's Scots Church, behind Cathedral, off Bathurst-street, on
"THE JESUITS."
"St. John's College is now under the immediate control of a Jesuit" (whose salary is paid by the State).—Evening News, December 13.
Admission free. Collection in aid of Church Repair Fund.

YORK-STREET WESLEYAN CHURCH.
ANTIPODAL UNCHRISTIAN BELIEFS.
The Rev. JOHN OSBORNE will deliver TWO LECTURES on the above subject on two successive SUNDAY EVENINGS, as follows:—
December 23 (To-morrow)—"Freethought as taught in the Liberal newspaper."
December 30—"Presbyterian Orthodoxy as expounded in Principal Kinross' recent address."

CHRISTADELPHIAN LECTURE, Temperance Hall, Pitt-street, SUNDAY EVENING. The Angels' Song at Bethlehem, and its Scriptural Meaning. Seats free; no collection.

PRINCE-STREET WESLEYAN CHURCH. Morning and Evening, Rev. G. HOLFORD COWLES.
On THURSDAY EVENING, December 27, LECTURE will be delivered by the Rev. G. H. COWLES, in the Prince-st. Church. Subject:
"A Trip from England to Egypt and Constantinople."
Chair to be taken at a quarter to 8 by J. H. LOVE, Esq.
Admission free. Collection after Lecture. Proceeds in aid of the poor in the district.

Religious Announcements.

A CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE will be held in the Temperance Hall This Day, at 3 p.m. Malachi iii, 16.

ASHFIELD WESLEYAN CHURCH.—Rev. G. Woolnough, M.A., morning; Rev. R. Caldwell, evening.

AVOCA NEW CHURCH MISSION HOUSE.
Friends interested in the promulgation of the truths of the Christian Religion are advised that the above building, situated a mile and a quarter from Fairfield Railway station, will be opened for DIVINE SERVICE on SUNDAY, 23rd instant.
Train leaves Redfern Station, 8.30 a.m.
Morning Service at 10.30 a.m.; address by Dr. H. W. Jackson.
Evening Service at 2.30 p.m.; address by Mr. Thomas Newman.
Train leaves Fairfield Station, 4.30 p.m.
Collection in aid of building fund after each service.
Christians of every Denomination invited.

BALMAIN Wesleyan Church.—Darling-street, Rev. H. Mack; Mr. Bowes; Montague-st., Mr. Reeve, Rev. H. Hack.

BAPTIST CHURCH, Woolloomooloo Assembly Rooms, William-st.—11, Rev. A. W. Murray; 7, Mr. A. M. Hyde.

BAPTIST CHURCH, Balmain.—Anniversary services for the young, 11 a.m., 7 p.m. Rev. J. J. Glasson. Collcts.

BOULEVARD (Petersham) CHURCH.—Rev. R. Caldwell, morning; Rev. J. Calvert, evening.

BOURKE-ST. CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.—Rev. JAMES HILL, M.A., morning and evening.

BURWOOD Presbyterian Church, School of Arts.—Services To-morrow, at 11 and 7, Rev. Alex. Osborne, M.A.

BOURKE-STREET WESLEYAN CIRCUIT.—Bourke-street, morning, 11, Rev. J. Hulme; evening, 7, Rev. W. Clarke. William-street, morning, 11, Rev. W. Clarke; evening, 7, Rev. W. M'Callum. Cleveland-street, morning, 11, Rev. W. M'Callum; evening, 7, Rev. J. Hulme. Randwick, morning, 11, Rev. G. Brown, evening, 7, Rev. G. Brown.

CAMPERDOWN Congregational Church, Church-street. December 23, at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., Mr. A. Woolnough.

CAMPERDOWN Wesleyan Ch.—11, Rev. F. Barnes; 7, Rev. T. B. Holmes. Special Service on Christmas morn.

CHRISTMAS EVE.—Holiness M'tng., Forester's Hall, Castl'gh-st., 7.30. Subject: Three Appearings. Heb. 9, v. 28.

CHRIST of Christmas Day.—Lecture by Mr. C. H. Rimmer, City Hall, Castlereagh-street, To-morrow, 7.30 p.m.

CHRISTIAN Chapel, Elizabeth-st. Disciples meet for worship Lord's Day, at 11 a.m.; preaching at 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND, SUMMER HILL.—Services TO-MORROW, Rev. JOHN VAUGHAN, 11, 7.

CHERUBINI GRAND MASS in C, with full orchestra, will be given, for the first time in the colony, at ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, on CHRISTMAS DAY.
Signor BENTERALI will assist as a soloist.

CHRISTMAS DAY.—The Blue Ribbon Gospel Army will hold meetings in the Temperance Hall, Pitt-st., as follows: 7 a.m., Prayer Meeting; 10.30, Consecration Meeting; at 3 p.m., Testimony Meeting; 7 p.m., Evangelistic Meeting. Workers from North Shore, Balmain, Marrickville, Parramatta, Pyrmont, &c., &c., will be present, and take part in the service.

CONVENT OF THE SACRED HEART, ROSE BAY, SYDNEY.
The RETREAT for LADIES, to be given at the Convent by the Rev. J. RYAN, S.J., will
BEGIN on MONDAY, the 7th, at 8 p.m.,
instead of on Sunday, the 6th, as formerly stated.
It will
END on SATURDAY, the 12th,
at
ABOUT 8 IN THE MORNING.

GLEBE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—The Rev. Andrew Gardiner, M.A., TO-MORROW, at 11 and 7.

GLEBE-ROAD WESLEYAN CHURCH.—11, Rev. T. B. Holmes; 7, Rev. W. G. Taylor. Subject for evening—Second Sermon to Young Men, on "The Royal Road to Promotion."
Special Sermons on Christmas Morning. Anthems, Choruses, &c. Collection for the poor.

MARRICKVILLE Wesleyan Church, Town Hall.—Morning, Rev. H. Youngman; Evening, Supply.

MIDDAY PRAYER MEETING, Temperance Hall, 1 to 1.30, MONDAY, Rev. T. B. Tress to preside; TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY no meetings; THURSDAY, —; FRIDAY, —.

NORTH SHORE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, Milson's Point.—Rev. W. C. ROBINSON, 11 and 7.

NEW CHURCH.
Service every Sunday Evening at 7 p.m., in the New Temperance Hall (upstairs), Pitt-street.
A Discourse by Dr. LE GAY BRERETON.
A free Lending Library open to all.

NEWTOWN WESLEYAN CHURCH.
ANNIVERSARY SERVICES,
in aid of Home Mission.
Morning, Rev. J. A. Nolan.
Evening, the General Secretary, Rev. G. Lane.

OCEAN-ST. Congregational Church, Woollahra.—Morning and Evening, Rev. J. P. Sunderland.

OPERA HOUSE, King and York streets.—Special Service for Young Men TO-MORROW, Sunday, 7.15 p.m., under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A.
All young men are cordially invited.

OPERA HOUSE. CHRISTMAS NIGHT.
Special Service, under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A., at 7.30 p.m. The Evangelistic Choir will conduct the service of sacred song. COLLECTION in aid of the Organ for the Opera House mission work.
DAVID WALKER, Gen. Sec.

OPENING SERVICES.—NEW WESLEYAN CHURCH, BALMAIN WEST.
Sabbath, December 23, at 11 o'clock, Rev. J. H. FLETCHER; at 3 o'clock, Rev. H. MACK; at 7 o'clock, Rev. G. WOOLNOUGH, M.A.
TEA and PUBLIC MEETING on FRIDAY, 28th, at 6.30. Programme, Addresses, and Musical Selections.
W. A. HUTCHISON, Esq., M.P., in the chair.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Quarry-st., Ultimo.—Rev. R. S. Paterson will preach morning and evening.

PYRMONT Wesleyan Church.—Rev. F. E. Fletcher, M.A., to-morrow, 11 and 7. Also, Missionary service 3 p.m.

PALMER-STREET CHURCH, Woolloomooloo.—Rev. Matthew Bell (just arrived from Scotland) will preach in the morning at 11; and the Rev. J. A. Rainy Brotchie, M.A. (also newly arrived), in the evening at 7.

P. METHODIST CHURCH.—Services—Crown-street, J. Cook at 11, J. Cook at 7; Pyrmont, S. Haddon at 11, J. Kessel at 7; Balmain, T. Stringfellow at 11, E. Haddon at 7.

REDFERN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.—Rev. George Campbell Morning and Evening.

REGENT-ST. PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Redfern, south of Redfern-st.—Rev. T. J. CURTIS, 11 and 7.

SOCIETY OF FRIENDS, Meeting House, Devonshire-street, opposite railway gates, 10.30, not 11, as formerly.

STANMORE WESLEYAN CHURCH.—Morning, Rev. G. Lane; Evening, Rev. H. Youngman.

ST. JOHN'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Paddington.—Rev. T. NESBIT, at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

ST. MARK'S, Darling Point.—11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m., Rev. T. KEMMIS.

SUMMER HILL Congregational Church, O. H., Ashfield.—Rev. T. Johnson, Morning and Evening.

ST. PETER'S, WOOLLOOMOOLOO.
December 23, 11 a.m., 7.30 p.m., Rev. T. B. Tress.
CHRISTMAS DAY.—Holy Communion at 8 a.m. MORNING SERVICE, 11 a.m.: Preacher, Rev. T. B. Tress. Collection in aid of Sick Relief Fund of the parish.

ST. ANDREW'S SCOTS CHURCH, behind Cathedral, off Bathurst-street.
Rev. JAMES WHITE, of Carrickfergus, at 11; Rev. Dr. MOORE WHITE, at 7. Subject: "Jesuits"—see Lectures. The new hymn book—"Church Praise"—will be used for first time. Collection in aid of Church Repairs Fund.

SUNDAY SOCIAL SERVICE
at the
GAIETY THEATRE.
Under the auspices of the N. S. W. Branch of the Australasian Secular Association.
SUNDAY MORNING, December 23.
ADMISSION FREE.
Orchestral chairs reserved for members of Freethought Associations and their friends.
Classical, Vocal, and Instrumental Music.
Doors open at 10 o'clock, commence 10.30.
The committee are requested to meet at 10 o'clock sharp.

THE CHURCH SOCIETY.
TO-MORROW, SUNDAY, the 23rd instant, the Fourth Sunday in Advent, SERMONS will be preached and Collections made on behalf of the Church Society.
ST. STEPHEN'S, North Willoughby.
Preacher—Morning, 11, the Rev. D. Murphy.
Evening, 7, the Rev. S. S. Tovey, B.A.
HULTON S. KING, M.A. } Hon.
ROBERT HILLS. } Secs.

THE CHURCH IN ROME DURING THE FIRST THREE CENTURIES.
An argument to prove that Christianity is much older than Roman Catholicism.
LECTURES TO YOUNG MEN,
by
Rev. JAMES JEFFERIS, LL.B.,
Congregational Church, Pitt-street, Sydney,
on
SUNDAY EVENINGS.
TO-MORROW EVENING—The Church of the Catacombs.
December 30—Corruptions of the faith.
January 6—The claim to supreme authority.

UNITARIAN CHURCH, Liverpool-street, Hyde Park.—Morning Service at 11.

WESLEY CHURCH, Chippendale.—Rev. J. Gardiner, morning at 11; Rev. G. Martin, evening at 7.

WESLEYAN CHURCH, Mount Lachlan.—Rev. G. Martin, morning at 11; a Student, evening at 7.

WESLEYAN CHURCH, Hay-street.—A Student, morning at 11; Rev. S. Wilkinson, evening at 7.

Y. M. C. A.—Special Service for Young Men THIS (Saturday) EVENING, at 7.30. All are welcome.

YOUNG MEN visiting the City during the Christmas Holidays are cordially invited to visit the Young Men's Christian Association Rooms, corner of Pitt and Park streets.

YORK-STREET WESLEYAN CHURCH.
SUNDAY, 23rd DECEMBER.
MORNING, at 11—Preacher, Rev. JOHN OSBORNE. Subject: "A Christmas Homily: the design and prospects of Christianity." Te Deum (Tours); Christmas Hymn, "Adeste Fideles" (Ancient).
EVENING, at 7—Preacher, Rev. JOHN OSBORNE. Subject: "Freethought as taught in the Liberal newspaper." "Cantate Domino" (Bridgewater).
Anthem, "The Song of the Angels" (Packer).

REV. W. H. ULLMANN and Mrs. ULLMANN desire to let their friends know that any who wish to see them off must be at PRINCE'S STAIRS, Circular Quay, at 10.15 or 11.45 sharp on SATURDAY MORNING.
The Launch leaves there to convey friends of passengers on to the Liguria.
We shall be there at 10.15 if the Lord will.
W. H. and S. J. ULLMAN,
Marston House,
Pyrmont Bridge-road, Forest Lodge.

Meetings.

BOROUGH OF BURWOOD
PUBLIC MEETING.
In accordance with a resolution adopted by the Council of the Borough of Burwood, I hereby convene a PUBLIC MEETING of the residents of the Borough and surrounding District, to be held in the School of Arts Hall on FRIDAY, 28th instant, at 8 p.m., to take into consideration and urge a respectful protest against the increase in the rate of Passenger FARES on the Suburban Line of Railway.
HENRY M. DEAKIN, Mayor.
Council Chambers, Burwood,
December 21st, 1883.

TATTERSALL'S CLUB.
A Special General MEETING of the Members will be held in the Clubroom, on FRIDAY, 28th December, 1883, at 8 p.m.
Business: To consider the addition of the following words to Rule No. 30, after the word election—"And shall upon election pay an entrance fee of £25."
By order,
JAMES PERRY,
Secretary.

SYDNEY STOCK EXCHANGE.—There will be no Meeting of Members after the 20th December until WEDNESDAY, the 2nd of January.
LEWIS P. BAIN, Hon. Secretary.

TEACHERS' MUTUAL INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.—The Annual MEETING will be held at the Training School, Fort-street, Sydney, TO-DAY, 22nd instant, at 11 a.m.
A. ADAMS, Hon. Sec.

RAVEN CLUB.—Quarterly MEETING To-night, at Club-rm. Business important. C. A. SWAN, Sec.

MASONIC.—Lodge Thomas Mort, No. 19.—Emergency MEETING, This Eve., 7.15, Masonic Temple. Olsson, W.M.

NO. 1, L. O. L.—Next Meeting, Election of Officers, FRIDAY, December 28th. A. J. Pring, secretary.

R. A. O. B.—Members are requested to attend TO-MORROW Evening (Sunday) at Mother Lodge, No. 1, N.S.W. Constitution. Special business, 8 p.m.
By order, PRIMO W. DOUGLASS, Secretary.

A. O. F. COURT, MORNING STAR, No. 2002.—Notice to MEMBERS of the above Court.—In consequence of our regular meeting falling on Christmas night, the same will be held on Monday, the 24th instant.
By order,
JAMES ROOT, Secretary.

THE CITY BANK.
NOTICE is hereby given that the usual Half-Yearly General MEETING of the Shareholders of the City Bank will be held on TUESDAY, the 15th day of January ensuing, at noon precisely, at the Head Banking House of the Company, Pitt-street, Sydney, to receive the Report of the Board of Directors for the half-year ending the 31st instant; to elect two Directors in the place of James Watson, Esq., and the Honorable George Thornton, Esq., who retire in accordance with the provisions of the Deed of Settlement, but who are eligible for re-election; to elect two Auditors in the room of the Honorable John Blaxland, Esq., resigned, and H. C. D'Ardier, Esq., who retires by rotation, but is not eligible for re-election; and to transact such other business as may be brought forward in pursuance of the requirements of the Deed of Settlement.
By order of the Board.
WILL. NEILL,
Manager.
Sydney, 21st December, 1883.

N.B.—By the 5th Clause, part 5, of the Deed of Settlement, every Candidate for the Office of Director must give notice in writing of his intention to the Board of Directors at the least fourteen days before the day of election.

THE CITY BANK.
It is hereby notified that JAMES WATSON, Esq., and the Honorable GEORGE THORNTON, Esq., duly qualified Shareholders, have given the requisite notice that they are Candidates for re-election to the seats at the Board they are about to vacate.
WILL. NEILL, Manager.
Sydney, 21st December, 1883.

MERCANTILE BANK OF SYDNEY.
Incorporated by Act of Parliament.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Half-yearly General MEETING of the Shareholders of this Bank will be held at the Banking-house of the Company, George-street, Sydney, on TUESDAY, 22nd January, at noon, to receive the Report of the Directors for the half-year ending 31st December, and to transact such other business as may be brought before the meeting.
By order of the Board of Directors,
F. A. A. WILSON, Manager.
Sydney, 21st December, 1883.

CLARENCE and RICHMOND RIVERS STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.
(Incorporated by Act of Parliament.)
NOTICE is hereby given that the Half-yearly General MEETING of the Proprietors of this Company will be held at their Offices, Sussex-street, on WEDNESDAY, 23rd of January, 1884, at noon, to receive the Report of the Directors for the half-year ending 31st December, 1883, and to transact such other business as may be brought before the meeting in terms of the Deed of Settlement.
JOHN WHITE, Secretary.
Sydney, December 22, 1883.

A SPECIAL General MEETING of the Newbridge Slate Company, No Liability, will be held at Hade's Hotel, Newbridge, on TUESDAY, the 1st of January, 1884.
M. BLOMFIELD, Manager.

Borough Council Notices.

BOROUGH OF ST. LEONARDS.
NOTICE is hereby given that the bylaws made by the Municipal Council of this Borough, under the provisions of the Nuisances Prevention Act, 1875, and approved by his Excellency the Governor, are now in force. All persons interested may see a copy of the bylaws at the Council-chamber. Attention is particularly invited to by-laws 21 and 24.
WILLIAM H. M'LEAN,
Council Clerk.
Council Chambers,
St. Leonards, 7th Dec., 1883.

BOROUGH OF WOOLLAHRA.
NOTICE.
The following BYLAW, having been confirmed by His Excellency the Governor, will be in force from this date.
ROBERT BUTCHER, Mayor.
Council Chambers, 19th December, 1883.
"The Council shall meet for the despatch of business on the Second Monday in each month, at the hour of a quarter to 8 p.m., unless such day shall be a public holiday, in which case the meeting shall be held on the day following."

BOROUGH OF BALMAIN.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Plan showing the proposed Permanent Levels of part of LOUISA-ROAD can be inspected during office hours at the Engineer's Department, Town Hall, Darling-street, until the 4th January, 1884, after which date no objection to same can be entertained.
H. B. MACINTOSH, Council Clerk.
21st December, 1883.

Business Announcements.

MR. WINSTANLEY, Dentist, REMOVED from 103 York-street, to corner of Castlereagh and Liverpool street, late residence of W. Roberts, Esq., solicitor.

N. S. W. MONT DE PIETE COMPANY, Limited.—Pledge Department, side entrance, now open. 102, 104, 106, Castlereagh-street, next to St. James' School.
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JAMES LAWSON AND SONS, Cabinetmakers and Upholsterers, have REMOVED to their New Storerooms and Warehouse, corner of William-street.
December 20, 1883.

GAS STOVE "Victory" versus tile-lined Gas Stoves. See public notices. Raleigh, 253, Elizabeth-street.

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THE ECHO, AN EVENING NEWSPAPER, PRICE ONE PENNY. THE ECHO contains all the Latest News of the Day, Police, Law, and Insolvency Courts. Intercolonial and Foreign late Telegrams on all topics of public interest. THE ECHO, having now attained an extensive circulation, offers great inducements to the advertising public. ADVERTISEMENTS received daily for the evening's publication up to 1 p.m. Office, corner of Pitt and Hunter streets.

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COOGEE PARK Sale THIS DAY. Trams at 1.30 and 2 p.m. SMITH, CHAPMAN, and SMITH.

OUR ST. PETERSBURG LETTER.

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 27.

After a six weeks' sojourn in Copenhagen the Emperor and Empress of Russia have returned to their summer residence of Peterhoff, and from thence have moved to the Gatchina Palace, where their Majesties intend passing the winter. Almost all the Russian newspapers agree in ignoring, or pretending to ignore, the political importance of the fact that so many illustrious personages assembled at the same time to visit the King of Denmark, and persist in giving to these events the colour of a simple family meeting, arranged for the rest and recreation of the Emperor and Empress of Russia after the fatigues and emotions of the coronation. The *Novosti* even becomes quite poetical on the subject, and sings in its leading articles of the "beautiful shadowy alleys and mysterious groves of the Fredensborg Park, where innumerable royal personages, forgetting the cares of State, and hardly feeling the weight of their ponderous crowns, promenaded peacefully like ordinary mortals, or listened to the inspired verses of Tennyson, the whole atmosphere being so saturated with peace, fraternity, and security, that the very word 'war' would have sounded like an offensive dissonance." It is very hard to believe, considering the present state of European affairs, in the reality of these most charming and reassuring appearances. The very fact of the presence under one hospitable roof of the Emperor and Empress of Russia, the heirs to the English, Swedish, and Portuguese thrones, the King of Greece, and last, though not least, Gladstone (whereas both Germany and Austria kept their representants aloof), will, do what one may, give food to the imagination. Some foreign papers have hinted that Bismarck but half liked it, considering any event that might bring about the formation of a bond between Russia and the central Europe coalition as menacing to his own views. This is confirmed by such serious organs as the *National Zeitung*. The temporary solidarity of interests between Germany and Austria established by Bismarck is directly in opposition to the interests of Russia, as it is easy to comprehend. The tendencies of the monarchs attached to the central coalition are often diametrically opposed to the interests of their subjects. This is to be seen as evidently as possible in Austria itself, in Servia, Roumania, and Bulgaria. In all these countries the discord between the monarchs fallen under the influence of Bismarck and the people striving to preserve some degree of political independence is visible to the most inexperienced eye. No one is ignorant of Bismarck's plan, which, if realised, must inevitably destroy the equilibrium necessary to the conservation of peace in Europe. It were almost vain to hope that this "Man of Iron" will stop in time, or let himself be baulked in his projects, and that he will not transgress the limits which divide the real interests of Germany from those of the adjoining Powers. It is evident that a counter coalition is being formed against Bismarck, and the peace of Europe perhaps depends upon the more or less skilful grouping of the Powers. The friendly intercourse of so many crowned heads at Fredensborg will at least impress upon the world the assurance that Germany may, to a certain degree, be checkmated. Although it seems to be so universally agreed that peace should not be disturbed, in reality all are preparing for possible war, for hardly one of the international questions now awaiting their solution can be thoroughly solved without provoking an outbreak. In Russia, perhaps, more than in the rest of Europe, this feeling of insecurity reigns, and all eyes are magnetically attracted towards that arbiter of human destinies having his quarters at Berlin, and every one of whose movements are expected with fear and trembling by that part of the Russian public which suffers most from war, *i.e.*, the commercial world, already driven to despair by the existing order of things. Whichever turn circumstances may ultimately take, it is certain that the Russian Government does not desire war, and that every possible means to avert it will be had recourse to: but the time of too great concessions on the part of Russia is as likely as not to have come to an end, for she has paid too dear for certain lessons of Count Bismarck. It is in Bulgaria that the pretexts to commence a war may unfold, but Russia does not aspire to territorial conquest either on one or the other side of the Balkans. Her legitimate ambition is to have full authority over part of the Black Sea, and to have the possibility of not admitting uninvited guests along her coast. Russia must and will guarantee the safety of her southern limits. That England may desire the Bosphorus to remain in the weak hands of Turkey is natural, considering the rivalry of the two nations in Asia, which may come to an open rupture sooner or later. But Germany has nothing to do in the Black Sea, and in the interests of general peace she should have contributed to an amicable solution of the question between Russia and Turkey and Austria concerning Eastern affairs, instead of throwing oil on the fire. It will be easily acknowledged by every impartial person that the exterior politics of the Emperor of Russia are opposed to further conquest abroad, and in general to war, and that they have been hitherto faithful to the programme traced by his Majesty when he ascended the throne. Only in self-defence will Russia arm herself at present.

On the 6th of October, in the presence of the Emperor, the Empress and all the Imperial family, the foundation stone of the Cathedral of the Resurrection was laid. This splendid edifice is to be erected on the spot where Alexander II. fell, murdered by the Nihilists. The church will be so constructed that the altar will cover the very spot stained with the Imperial blood. It may appear somewhat strange to erect a cathedral in remembrance of such a foul act as that of the 1st March, for such a thing is done in general to commemorate some good or glorious action. Besides, the site is not at all favourable for the purpose, being on the canal. It would have been much better to erect the church in another place, in commemoration of the liberator's great and good reforms, not in commemoration of his horrible death. But these considerations not having presented themselves to the minds of those concerned in this affair, it has been decided to build the cathedral there, to the great delight of the Nihilists, who consider it as a monument of their triumph, and everlasting glorification of their atrocious deed.

This cathedral is to be the expression of the perfection to which Russian art has attained. Money is, of course, to be no consideration. Four millions of roubles have been appointed to begin with, one million of which come in as voluntary tribute from the people. It is said that twice that sum was collected over all Russia. The rest has found its way into safe pockets, as usual. The style of architecture is to be Russo-Byzantine. The plan originated in the imagination of a Russian archimandrite, Father Ignatius, and is to be realised by the architect-academician, Alfred Parland, who, notwithstanding his British name, is a Russian. The spire of the cathedral is to be as high as that of the Peter-Paul Fortress, *i.e.*, 55 sajenes (385 feet). The best architects, engineers, sculptors, and painters are engaged to bring their skill to help to ornament this wonderful pile. Quantities of materials are sent from all parts of the Empire as homages to the memory of the Czar. From Siberia come blocks of malachite and lapis lazuli, and precious stones for the adornment of the images. All the bricks for the foundation are sent by the Russian bricklayers, &c., &c., *ad infinitum*. The ceremony of the 6th of October was very grand, for the orthodox Church can turn out something quite imposing on such occasions, and the *mise en scene* is such that one can see nowhere else. Besides all the Imperial family, the high clergy assisted, in most splendid array and costly habiliments. Fifteen white marble blocks were prepared to be laid, upon each of which was cut the name of a member of the Imperial family, also about 80 other plain ones for the ladies and gentlemen of the court. The trowel and hammer were of steel, with handles of wood, most beautifully carved. There was also a plate of gilded copper, upon which was engraved in Slavonian letters:—"To the glory of the Holy Trinity, in the year from the incarnation of the Lord 1883, this temple is erected in memory of the resurrection of Christ, on the spot where the Emperor of Russia, Alexander II., was mortally wounded by his enemies." At noon, at the sound of military music and the ringing of all the bells in Petersburg, the Emperor and Empress arrived, and a solemn service commenced with a double choir of the best choristers. The singing was really beautiful. Many persons were affected to tears. The Emperor himself made visible efforts to subdue his emotion. After the service and the reading of appropriate prayers, all present kissed the cross. Medals were then brought and current moneys, which were placed in the inside of one of the blocks made empty for the purpose. The architect, Parland, then presented his Majesty with the trowel and hammer. The Emperor, with trembling hands, fixed the first stone upon the copper plate with cement; then the Empress approached and placed her stone; then followed all the other members of the family, including the youngest Grand Duke. The courtiers' turn then came. After that the procession returned to the Cathedral of the Kazan in great pomp, bearing the holy standards and images. The order preserved in the immense crowd was perfect, and it required the most practised eye to discover the police wonderfully disguised so as to be absolutely unnoticeable in the midst of the people. The people were quite silent, as if in respect to the memory of the deceased Emperor.

Apropos of cathedrals. In the month of August last the consecration of the Cathedral of St. Saviour, in Moscow, took place. This immense temple was founded in commemoration of the deliverance of Russia from the French in 1812, and has only just been finished (better late than never!). The architect was Ton, one of the most talented Russian artists. After spending almost his whole life on this work, and being always baffled and disappointed on account of the Government being always short of money to achieve it, this great architect died just before the consecration of his beautiful creation, which is the astonishment and admiration of all who visit Moscow. Ton had for aid one of his pupils, a certain Rezanoff, whom he not only made a man of, but during 35 years helped, guided, and protected. Rezanoff, however, was never anything but a pupil, and had no hand whatever in the architectural part of the cathedral, which was all finished years ago. Will it be believed that this Rezanoff, at the ceremony of the consecration, received all the honours and rewards for the erection of the cathedral, as if he had constructed it? To this miserable usurper of his benefactor's rights was conceded a pension of 6000 roubles and the decoration of Alexander Nevsky, the greatest honour that can be awarded a subject from the Emperor; whereas the widow of old Ton, almost mad with grief at the wrong done her dead husband, received not one farthing from the ingrate, who was brought up in her house and treated like a son. She assisted at the ceremony, and was not even taken notice of. This black ingratitude of Rezanoff, and impudent assumption of his master's rights, could not remain unpunished were it not for the evident indifference of the present Government for all those who distinguished themselves under the former reigns, whether in politics, art, or literature. It is sufficient to remember Count Loris Melikoff. Ton was a liberal man, for he was a man of European reputation, and any impostor is free to come and supplant a person of that sort. His memory will be ignored, and all he has done forgotten. The widow of Ton, however, who is a very energetic person, with traces of her former extraordinary beauty still remaining, has resolved to unmask Rezanoff, and has already secured one of the best Russian lawyers, who has placed his time and his talent at the widow's feet. If I have mentioned this case it is that in all Russia it is talked of, and can prove to what a degree intrigue has a chance of success in this country. The only thing is to be impudent enough and brazen enough.

Besides the Cathedral of St. Saviour, Ton has built the Imperial Palace in Moscow, and innumerable other edifices. He was personally known and appreciated both by Nicholas and Alexander II.

The Russian newspapers are always striving to attribute the deplorable state of the Russian finances to certain "alarmists" in Berlin, who are supposed to hold up the spectre of an approaching war with Germany to frighten speculators and to depreciate more and more Russian values in the market. Is it likely that Germany, who has millions invested in Russian values, should strive to lower them? And can anything be more absurd than these reproaches of the Slavonophils? If these people would only turn their attention for one moment to the real causes of the persevering and ceaseless lowering of the roubles they would find them all at home, in the defects of their own interior administration, in their absurd mismanagement of their own interests, and in their own helplessness to get out of a difficult position. To give one example out of a hundred, consider the question of introducing or not introducing elevators in the Russian ports, which has more influence on the finances than a whole year's gossip of some German circle. Lately an American Company (combined with a French and Russian one) has offered to supply Russia with elevators in her principal ports, as the question of the more rapid and cheap transport of wheat and the conservation of it is one of life or death for Russian commerce. This company, having a capital of 25,000,000 millions of metallic roubles (*i.e.*, 42,000,000 of paper values), would have been not only a most useful and practical auxiliary for the improvement of the antediluvian methods of transport now employed, but would have given a great impulse to the Russian export trade, and, what is more important, would have created a credit eternally wanting in this country. But the Russian merchants set up a cry of horror and dismay, and came out of their apathy to raise such a howling against the American innovator as to make him wish himself and his elevators at the antipodes. "What! always foreigners! Cursed foreigners and anti-christs are to come and take the bread out of honest Russian mouths! They take into their hands our commerce. They suck the Russian blood, and fatten upon the Russian sweat. . . . Companies! Then why not a Russian company?" *Nota bene.*—This question of elevators, to be elevated by a Russian company, has been discussed ever since these useful machines were invented; but no one ever offered a capital of 25 millions, or even of one million, to realise any of these eternal projects. An American having come forward with the money, they cry out monopoly, exploitation of the Russians by foreign leeches, and fill the country with lamentations and tears. The *Novosti* is the only gazette that supports the American project, the others howl him out of the field. It is certain that if this project does not succeed years will pass before Russia will know the blessing of elevators, or indeed of any other useful and practical improvement upon routine and stagnation. The Americans (Messrs. Martin and Fisher, I believe) don't seem to lose heart. One of these gentlemen writes most able articles about the subject, signed "An American Citizen," to which on the day after idiotic answers are printed signed by a "Russian Citizen," the same being no other but one of the merchant "koulaks," whose interests are that things should go on as they are about a century or so longer. The public, of course, oppose the American project, and strenuously resist any "elevation," either of their wheat or of themselves.

Upon the mysterious murder of Sara Bekkers a new light has been suddenly thrown which has quite routed the inquest. Mironovitch, the person who was accused of the crime, had not been released, as so many circumstances pointed to him as having been the author of the murder. It is not unlikely that the accused might have been condemned at the approaching trial, for no new evidence had been gathered, and the affair was fixed for November. It is difficult to imagine a more perfect chain of evidence than that which condemned him, and no one doubted his guilt. One day last week, as one of the Judges was at breakfast, a young and rather elegant lady asked to see him on important business relating to the said trial. Being ushered into the study she told the Judge she had come to denounce herself as the murderess of Sara, and to place herself in the hands of justice, not being able to bear any longer the anguish caused her by the implication of an innocent person. She then proceeded to relate that she was an educated person, belonged to a good family, and was employed as governess; but having fallen in love with an officer and he being often in great need of money, she, for love of him, had taken to stealing small articles out of shops and from the houses of people where she was received as a friend, never being suspected thereof on account of her high character. Having stolen a ring at a jeweller's, she pawned it some days previous to the crime at the Bekkers', and the theft having been discovered, fearing to be suspected, she had gone to get the ring back; but the girl would not give it to her, so she tried to get at it by force, and in the struggle struck Sara on the head with a large hammer. This strange person was immediately arrested, as was also her lover; but some people believe her to be set on by Mironovitch's friends to tell this cock-and-bull story, and the public prefer the other version to this plain, unvarnished tale. As this woman is supposed to be insane, and as there is no punishment for insane persons, and it is not impossible that the story may have been got up to get Mironovitch released, this incident has only fanned the curiosity of the public into a veritable conflagration.

The arrest of Schwartz, the Dorpat incendiary, has been followed by a number of fresh crimes which fact proves that Schwartz is no pyromaniac as was at first supposed, but the leader of a band of incendiaries. The whole town is gained by the panic; as there is no regular company of firemen in Dorpat, all the students are employed day and night extinguishing the fire, and the University has been closed. Except Schwartz, no one has been arrested, though the police offers a large reward for the capture of these malefactors.

The polemics between the Russian Spiritualists and Materialists have broke out afresh. Professor Boutleroff made a discourse at the late "assembly of men of science" in Odessa, which has made a great impression considering the authority and reputation the Professor enjoys as one of the most distinguished chemists in Europe. He places the question entirely on scientific grounds, waiving all miraculous explanations and hypotheses, and inviting investigators to bring to the test of the unknown the most careful analyses of which they are capable. Hitherto these scientific investigations of the question have proved miserable failures, the only facts proved being the abominable deception practised by a series of American and English mediums; but the scientific spiritualists are in no wise baffled, and are resolved to continue their experiments with more reliable instruments. It is said that Professor Wagner has obtained what is called the materialisation of a spiritual hand, which fact he considers as being beyond all possible doubt, no medium whatever being present. That there is work for men of science in that sphere can hardly be doubted, and it is time that the question should be taken out of the hands of quacks and charlatans.

The winter season in Petersburg has opened brilliantly. Besides the theatres belonging to the Crown, several private ones have opened their doors, and the public frequents them assiduously. The operettas continue to attract crowds, notwithstanding that the Russian interpretation of these light French productions is anything but artistical, the Russian actresses being entirely devoid of what is required for such execution. The defects of the Russian singers are less to be remarked in the opera than in the operette, as some of them have fine voices: but what is the operette deprived of both grace and comic talent? An annoying series of caricatures parade before the yawning spectator; there is no real gaiety and no amusement, or any aesthetical enjoyment whatever. The Russians had better keep to their speciality—*i.e.*, Russian drama and comedy—in which they excel. At the Italian opera, which is less and less frequented, Mme. Durand continues to sing to real connoisseurs. Her interpretation of Margaret in Mephistopheles is wonderful. The tenor Mejvitsky has won the sympathy of the public by his splendid voice, both in Arnold de Melchthal and in Manrico. Mr. Silva continues his last year's triumphs in Robert, though in all his other parts the public receives him coldly.

SEASON TICKET RATES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I am not aware that up to the present time any notice through your columns has been taken of a *Gazette* order, dated the 11th instant, and published on Friday last, the 14th, with respect to the increase of price for season tickets upon the suburban line of railway, anyone referring to the *Government Gazette* of that date can satisfy himself of the fact.

Whilst it is notorious that both the suburban railway and the tramway to and from the Redfern station, are the best paying sections of the whole of the Government lines at present opened, and, under liberal treatment from the Government would continue so; it is nevertheless a most notable fact that the season-ticket holders have received the scantiest consideration at the hands of the Department—they take our money 6 or 12 months in advance, and give the casual passengers (Wednesdays and Saturdays, at any rate) cheaper fares than those whose money they have the use of for lengthened periods.

I desire it to be understood, Sir, that I do not object to the "excursion fares" for one moment, that is a step in the right direction, but why not treat us all with the same even-handed liberality?

Many regular travellers from the suburbs by rail—season-ticket holders, of course—were looking forward to a change from the present unsatisfactory state of things with regard to the tramway to and from the Redfern station, and not a few have expressed their belief that our enlightened and energetic Commissioner would see his way to giving the season-ticket holders the privilege of completing their journey to the centre or end of the city and *vice versa* by virtue of their season ticket. Judge their disgust when they find that not only is that "small mercy" unvouchsafed, but that the rate of their season tickets is to be increased. I leave further comments to abler pens; but in the meantime I hope the season-ticket holders will, as a body, make such firm and respectful representations to the Hon. the Minister for Works as will cause that gentleman to advise the rescinding of the present order in the *Government Gazette* for the increase of season-ticket rates upon the suburban railway. I am, &c.,

December 19. SEASON TICKET.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Applying for my season-ticket at Burwood this morning, to my intense astonishment I was informed that the rates, both for season and ordinary tickets, are to be raised from 1st January next.

In view of the oft-reiterated statement that our railways are paying handsomely, and above all that the suburban traffic is the most lucrative, I am astonished that such a course should be adopted.

Doubts have been raised of late as to the basis on which the profits on our railways are calculated, which have never been rebutted by the Department; and the present action of the Government, in conjunction with the large sum asked for by the Treasurer in the House during the week for railway purposes, and objected to by one or two members, seems to point to there being some grounds for the doubts alluded to.

If the railways are really paying, and if the suburban traffic, as hitherto carried on, has been the best paying, I fail to see the necessity for the rise, and, as one of the public, should like to have some data given me on which I might be enabled to form an opinion as to the necessity of the rise.

If the Department were to make some retrenchment by curtailing the number of special trains for all sorts of petty political purposes, and also do away with the system of free passes to members of Parliament, who use them not only for public but also for their private business and pleasure, there should be no necessity for any advance in the suburban rates.

The Railway Department seems to have been organised for the benefit of the department, and not of that of the public, and I trust that the residents along the line will not tamely submit to what, in view of the Commissioner's report on the railways, is a manifest injustice. I am, &c.,

W. R. CUMMINS.

THE EARTHQUAKE IN ANATOLIA.—Further harrowing details continue to reach us of the terrible calamity which visited the Erythrean Peninsula early last week. The line of devastation was very extensive, but the villages which bore the brunt of the visitation were Katapanaya, Reis, Dere, and Lidja, and they are now mere unrecognisable heaps of ruins, with scarcely a wall left standing. Even so late as Saturday last earthquake shocks continued at Chesmeh and the neighbouring villages, keeping the population in a state of abject terror. Later accounts represent the early statements of the number of slain as considerably exaggerated, but some time must elapse before anything approaching the exact truth can be known. A Central News telegram from Constantinople, dated October 18, states that according to a despatch from Chesmeh up to last Wednesday night 120 dead bodies had been dug out of the ruins of eight small villages in the immediate vicinity of that town, and that, as the explorations continued, fresh victims were being brought to hand hourly. From the same district upwards of 350 maimed and injured survivors had been recovered to that date, and are now being medically treated as far as the means at hand will allow. Sheds have been hastily constructed to shelter the injured. In the villages in the interior the work of exploration proceeds much more slowly, but the devastation there seems equally great. Thirty-five bodies were recovered in the first superficial examination, and a much larger number are believed to have been buried beneath the ruins. Near Alatze the earth appears to have opened and closed again, swallowing several cottages, not a vestige of which can now be seen. In the same district a landslip has occurred, burying many houses. In both these districts the loss of life will never be accurately known. At Athens, Constantinople, Smyrna, and other eastern cities, great efforts are being made to supply food, clothing, and medicine to the homeless and destitute; but before help can effectively reach them thousands will have to endure terrible sufferings. The Sultan has ordered a corvette to be laden at Smyrna with tents, timber, provisions, and medicines for the sufferers, with instructions that the Governor-General should in person accompany these stores to their destination and superintend their distribution. Lady Dufferin has requested the Sultan's patronage of a grand concert at Constantinople in aid of the homeless multitude. In response to an appeal from Lord Dufferin, conveyed through the Foreign Office, the Lord Mayor of London has intimated his willingness to receive contributions for the same charitable purpose. The latest estimate is that 14,678 persons had been rendered homeless, all of whom are receiving food, while the sick were being placed under such shelter as could be hurriedly extemporised.

EPPS' COCOA.—Grateful and Comforting.—"By a thorough knowledge of the natural laws which govern the operations of digestion and nutrition, and by a careful application of the fine properties of well-selected cocoa, Mr. Epps has provided our breakfast tables with a delicately flavoured beverage, which may save us many heavy doctors' bills. It is by the judicious use of such articles of diet that a constitution may be gradually built up until strong enough to resist every tendency to disease. Hundreds of subtle maladies are floating around us ready to attack wherever there is a weak point. We may escape many a fatal shaft by keeping ourselves well fortified with pure blood and a properly nourished frame."—*Civil Service Gazette.*—Made simply with boiling water or milk.—Sold only in packets labelled—"James Epps and Co., homœopathic chemists, London." Also makers of Epps' chocolate essence.—[ADV.

OUR NEW ZEALAND LETTER.

WELLINGTON, Dec. 10.

We are in the depth of that season styled indifferently "dead," "dull," "silly," and "big gooseberry." There is hardly anything to break the even humdrum of daily monotony. The Premier is away assisting at that congress of annexation and federation; the Governor has been gouty, and has done nothing more startling than to open an Old English Fancy Fair; business is dull, politics stagnant and tiresome, and we have nothing to talk about but the weather and that contradiction in terms, the Triumph disaster, with an occasional excursion into native affairs. Wellington being the smallest of the colony's four cities, and being, as compared with Sydney and Melbourne, only a nominal capital, there is no fund of social intelligence to draw upon, and altogether the chronicler is somewhat pressed to find pabulum for the reader.

Reverting, however, to that good old stock subject, the weather, the "oldest inhabitant" of every district has been much in requisition, and being called upon has declared, in the form for such cases made and provided, that he never remembers so bad a spring as the present. Everywhere it has been almost continuously wet and cold, *shearing* has been prevented or greatly retarded, numbers of shorn sheep have died off, and much outdoor work, pressing at this time of year, has been impossible. The rain has, however, been sufficiently intermittent not to cause floods, except in Otago, where railway traffic was stopped for a couple of days and several lives lost. There have also been great electrical disturbances everywhere, and in Southland the lightning killed three people. The country being now fully saturated everyone is hoping, against indications, that a fine summer is at hand.

Native affairs are, to use an Americanism, "booming." Mr. Bryce has been for some weeks on the borders of the "King Country"—a term that is now becoming obsolete—and the Ngatimaniopoto chiefs have now agreed to bring the territory of their tribe, comprising some hundreds of thousands of acres of fine open land, under the native land laws and the operations of the Native Land Court; Mr. Bryce having agreed to set apart two Judges of the Court for their convenience for the next two years. The land is virgin fern-clad soil, which can be readily stocked, and that it should be made available for European occupation now when the increase of our exports is generally regarded as most urgent, gives much satisfaction. There are conflicting factions among the natives, however, and they will not alienate land at first. Leasing will be the compromise, and as there is now ample security of tenure, the result to the country will be much the same as if the occupiers bought. With the opening of this territory the last problem of any magnitude in native matters will be solved, and Mr. Bryce asserts that his occupation as Native Minister will be soon gone, and the maintenance of his office rendered needless.

In other respects native affairs are very satisfactory. There are no obstructions to surveys, and the Land Courts are clearing up an enormous number of disputed titles. It is most difficult to convey to outsiders any adequate idea of the intricacies of New Zealand native land questions, but generally it may be stated that titles to great numbers of blocks which have been hung up and unsettled for from five to 15 years are being cleared up rapidly under the new law giving the Land Court power to subdivide to any extent, and to cut out the interests of dissenters to selling and opponents to European settlement. Of course with the clearing of titles and the breaking up of large blocks improvements are effected, and there is a large increase of settlement, which is progressing rapidly in some districts. In one locality, for instance—Poverty Bay—the titles to half a million acres have been cleared within the last four months. With the consequent creation of security capital, which had hitherto shunned the unsettled districts, readily follows the sittings of the Courts. A really great work is being done by the Courts under the amended law, and its influence on the country is already appreciable. But it is evident that as their land gets less, the Maoris incline to lease rather than sell, and hence the spectacle of the native living in the most comfortable affluence, driving about in a buggy by day and playing "pool" at night, while the struggling settler provides him the means in the shape of rent, is becoming more and more common.

Whatever may have been the case in Australia, the meeting of the conference and the subjects of its deliberations excited extremely little general interest in New Zealand till within the last few days. Sir George Grey attempted to induce people to think about it by a lecture at Auckland, brilliant oratorically, teeming with magnificent generalities about empires, races, and the future, but suggesting nothing tangible as to any feasible course of action, and therefore soon forgotten. But now that a definite policy has been agreed to by the delegates, the public are paying more attention to the matter. The Federal Council scheme is very generally approved by the New Zealand press. A feeling of pleasure is expressed that a line of policy in this respect should have been so speedily and harmoniously educed, and there is little doubt that this colony will heartily co-operate in anything tending to the success of the establishment and working of the council. There is not so much unanimity as to annexation or protection; there is rather an apathy or lack of any opinion than differences; but New Zealand will readily subscribe a few thousands annually to work with the other colonies in the matter. Sir George Grey is said to keenly feel not being asked to act as a delegate, and the general opinion now is that Government should have invited him to go.

That the Shaw Savill-Albion Co.'s second direct steamer should on leaving Auckland harbour run on a rock a few hundred yards from a lighthouse, on the best known and lighted part of the coast, caused much astonishment and some surmises not flattering to those responsible for the occurrence. This line so far has been very unfortunate. Only two small steamers have yet arrived, both borrowed boats of an indifferent class. Sailing vessels have made the voyage in less time than either of them took, the Triumph being 64 days on the way, both having to call at Hobart to coal. This, while the New Zealand Shipping Company has been bringing out splendid Cunard and White Star liners in 42 and 43 days, has not tended to the regularity of the other line, and now the accident will increase the disfavour. The inquiry has not yet taken place, but it is felt that nothing to be revealed can free the officers from blame. They are under considerable implied blame in another respect. Among the Triumph's passengers were a lot of female immigrants, and from inquiries on arrival it was learnt that the behaviour of the officers had been by no means of the most exemplary character in the interests of morality, and the customary gratuities by the Government to the captain and officers of an immigrant ship were withheld. All efforts to get the steamer off have been so far unavailing, and the chances of saving her seem now very faint.

We have not yet heard the last of Mr. Mitchelson's appointment as Minister for Public Works. Just before he assumed office the Government translated Mr. C. Y. O'Connor from a post he held on the southern lines to the Under-Secretaryship of the Department—an office that had been vacant more than a year. This was regarded as a further attempt to appease southern clamour against the choice of Minister by providing a southern counteracting force to him; and Mr. O'Connor's transfer has had part of the desired effect. Some other appointments have been much criticised. The new Bankruptcy Act comes into force with the new year, and for the four chief districts four gentlemen, more or less of the "billet-hunter" class, have been appointed official assignees, in spite of the strenuous exertions of other candidates—one of whom, an Aucklander, was supported by nine members of the House, 17 lawyers, and most of the merchants and foreign consuls—so the competition must have been keen. Fault is found with the appointments, but there would be fault-finding in any case, and the best class of men could certainly not be got for £550 a year.

Despite all our hopes and predictions, the revenue does not seem to improve. The Customs still persists in keeping the wrong side of the Estimates; so does the beer duty, and there will be a deficiency of £50,000 at least on those items for the financial year. All sorts of reasons are adduced for this, but we flatter ourselves that temperance and increase of local manufactures, rendering imports less, is the real cause, and so to be rejoiced at rather than deplored. But some people are apprehensive, and in Dunedin associations are being formed to keep an eye on the financial part of our Administration. In the same city, a few days ago, so great a hubbub was made over the discharge of 100 railway navvies that they had to be reinstated by the Government, who had thought they could get work elsewhere. At Christchurch 100 men are petitioning Government for work at 6s. a day, the inclemency of the season having rendered work scarcer than usual. There was no "unemployed" cry during the winter, and now in the North Island labour is scarce. But the configuration of the country makes travelling dear, and while men in the South Island want work at 6s., employers in the North offer 8s. and 9s. in vain.

A new goldfield at Te Aroha, in the Auckland district, is our only mining sensation just now. It is turning out remarkably well, and so is a compensation for the "fizzle" the Wellington goldfield has proved so far.

THE MEDICAL BILL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I quite agree with the letter appearing in your paper of 19th instant, signed "A Pharmaceutical Chemist of Great Britain," in which he takes objection to the proposed clause 28 in Dr. Tarrant's Medical Bill. I think it is very unjust, not only to the chemists, but also to the general public. It seems to me the medical profession (especially some) want to crush the chemist, for they not only dispense their own medicine—at any rate, some of these gentlemen do—but are in the habit of running down many patent medicines, which, according to Dr. Tarrant's Medical Bill, will be the only means *a chemist can get a living by*, that is, by selling drugs. I consider in the country districts if the chemists are not allowed to prescribe in simple cases, it will be a great injustice to the public, for at times, should there be a medical man living in the town, he may be called out to see a patient miles away, and perhaps be away a day or two, and in the meantime some child or adult may be taken ill, and so, if the chemist is not allowed to prescribe, the patient may die before the doctor returns. I think it is a pity Dr. Tarrant did not insert a clause not to allow the medical profession to dispense their own medicine. I think if this were done the chemists would not prescribe as much as they now do. I hope my fellow-chemists will not allow this clause (28) to be passed by Parliament, but strongly oppose it. I should like to know what will the poor people do if this is passed, who can hardly afford to pay a shilling or two for a little medicine the chemists might prescribe. I hope Dr. Tarrant will withdraw this clause. By so doing he will gain the thanks of the public, I am sure.

Trusting you will find space in your valuable journal for these few lines, I am, &c.,

A COUNTRY PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMIST.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The letter of "A Pharmaceutical Chemist of Great Britain," in your impression of this morning, brings into prominent relief some of the troubles which necessarily attend every attempt at legislation on medical matters. Heretofore we have had neither a Government nor Parliament sufficiently enlightened to appreciate the importance of the task, or sufficiently courageous to face its contingent difficulties. Let us hope we are in better case now. Bearing in mind the momentous influences of the question on individual fate, and the rapidly expanding population of the colony, we shall show ourselves wanting in national self-respect if we any longer consent to the lawless state of things at present obtaining, while other countries less populous and less favoured in educational facilities enjoy all the advantages of enlightened legislation in relation to the subject. Your correspondent has reviewed Dr. Tarrant's bill from the limited standpoint, not of his own *Alma Mater*, the honoured Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain, but of the nondescript class of grocer-druggists who abound in this colony, and to whose increase the present Pharmaceutical Act places no limit, inasmuch as it registers as "qualified pharmaceutical chemists" apprentices of the said grocer-druggists after they have attended a course of study in materia medica extending over but a single year. If these young men had graduated in elementary medicine and allied subjects, as must the holders of the qualification your correspondent by his signature assumes to belong to, they would have some reasonable title to prescribe in simple cases, as the State and the faculty have in nearly every well-regulated country invariably admitted.

In England the apothecary properly so called, in France the *officier de santé*, have hitherto legally filled the function in question. In this colony there is at present no analogous class, and your correspondent will render a conspicuous public service if he can successfully address himself to the task of moulding the new Medical Bill into a measure which will render possible the rise of this useful order. It is a perversion of language to attribute to Dr. Tarrant's equitable bill any intention to restrain the druggist in the fair exercise of his vocation. When a customer applies to a druggist for a remedy for a simple ailment, he diagnoses his own case, and consciously accepts the full responsibility of the action.

Sydney grocer-druggists, however, habitually assume another *rôle*, and, forsaking their proper function as dispensers, almost universally prescribe in serious cases, even for patients of medical men repairing to their establishments for the purpose of having prescriptions made up. What druggist in Sydney is there without a little back consulting room?

That they often have occasion to recommend patients to apply to medical men may be admitted, but they more frequently than otherwise do so to shield themselves from the legal consequences of their own ignorance.

If the sponsor to the new Medical Bill occasionally takes up his own medicine, he is not singular. Many of us have been driven in self-defence to the practice, which is obnoxious to most of us to the last degree, depriving us of necessary time for reflection on individual cases, and of opportunity for keeping abreast of the ever advancing state of our art. To question our perfect right and competency to do so is, however, ridiculous, inasmuch as nearly all of us are compelled during our pupilage to go through all the drudgery of the dispensary, and to study, though much more deeply, every subject required of students in pure pharmacy.

The division of labour, however, we recognise as necessary, especially in relation to the higher grades of medical work. Unhappily, the public in New South Wales do not in practice perceive the duty which devolves on them of paying us for critical and responsible services in accordance with their own means; and hence as we are often compelled to perform services for shillings which in England are spontaneously rewarded by pounds, we are constrained to avail ourselves of legal sources of income which are obnoxious to nearly all of us, and abhorrent to most of us.

Let the pharmaceutists quickly prepare a bill of their own that shall recognise two grades in their trade one (that at present existing) capable of distinguishing and "selling poisons;" the other, that whose vocations and qualifications shall correspond with the true apothecary or fully equipped "pharmaceutical chemist."

There are one or two of this class in Sydney; and as we know from experience that they in the main stick to their calling, dispense our medicines with scrupulous accuracy, and refrain from intruding advice where it is not sought, we countenance them.

There is no reason why the most friendly relations should not subsist between doctors and druggists. It is not in human nature, however, to expect that these will prevail unless the Legislature performs its part by defining the respective functions of each.

If the state of Parliamentary business preclude the introduction of the Pharmaceutical Bill I suggest, it should be possible to introduce a clause into the Medical Bill now down for its second reading that will conserve the rights of apothecaries to prescribe at the counter in simple cases when the machinery shall exist for training the order.

It would be a public misfortune if the bill now before the Legislative Assembly were to miscarry. There will be ample opportunity to introduce equitable amendments in committee, and there exists no reason for supposing that any member of either Parliament or the faculty desires its adoption in any other than the PUBLIC INTEREST.

Sydney, December 19th.

EXCISE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—*Before the Government* formulate any new scheme of taxation, I would like to direct public attention to excise, which is a great hindrance to Australian free-trade. It seems to me the main reason for hampering our colonial industries with it is because of precedent in the mother country. Only last night it was elicited that the Colonial Sugar Refining Company have to pay the Government £1500 per annum for excise supervision, and this coupled with having the vigilant eyes of Government officers peering into the workings of the refinery, ought to make our legislators pause before they harass more colonial industries with a further development of so-called free-trade or excise. There is no just reason why any such unpatriotic system of taxing should any longer exist in a free country like our. Surely the manufacture of sugar, and even spirits, drugs, and chemicals, is quite as legitimate a business as making bread. If, then, excise is desirable in one case, so it is in the other. Well, then, let excise officers be told off to all bakers' shops; but to be equitable the system must permeate the land. It is only by showing its absurd appearance that we may hope we will get rid of it, and I feel sure a very large majority of the whole community would vote against it. I am, &c.,

December 19. H. S. S. BOND.

CHILI AND PERU.—In a letter from its correspondent at Lima, dated September 22, which appears in the *Panama Star and Herald* of October 4, the writer, speaking of the peace negotiations, of the successful result of which telegrams have since been received, says:—"The very welcome news has just been wired to Lima from Callao that the southern steamer had anchored with Don Aurelio Denegri and his companions on board, returning from their expedition in favour of the interests of peace. The report given by Senor Denegri is very encouraging. He was met by Admiral Montero with the utmost friendliness. The reasons given by the peace commissioners received the most attentive hearing, and after a few hours' discussion, the Vice-president of the Provisional Government announced to the Commissioner that he was perfectly willing to submit the question of peace with Chili to a constituent congress, to be convened at Lima, and on the basis proposed by General Yglesias; while, as a last attempt to obtain better terms from Chili, he would send a plenipotentiary to Lima to represent his Government and to confer with the agents of Chili and of General Yglesias, respectively Messrs. Novoa and Lavalle, and should no modifications be granted by Chili, Montero will accept the provisional agreement, which is subject always to the resolution of Congress."

NORFOLK ISLAND.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

NORFOLK ISLAND, Nov. 28.

The schooner Queen, Captain Jones, arrived from Auckland on the 24th instant, with nearly four months' mails and a few supplies, which were much needed. The last vessel from thence was the Orpheus, on the 6th August, and as Auckland is our supplying point, and the centre where all the island letters converge, everybody was nearly out of flour and groceries. These long delays are very trying, but there appears to be no help for it. H.M.S. Miranda, on her way to Fiji, called in on the 27th October, and remained a few hours; and the American whaler Robert Morrison, Mosher, put in for supplies on the 2nd instant, remaining off and on for a week: 75 barrels sperm have been taken since leaving the bay, making, all told, 800 sperm and 1020 whale since departure from New Bedford 42 months ago.

An affair of some local importance, long talked about, became an accomplished fact on the 14th instant, the marriage of Dr. P. H. Metcalfe, the island surgeon, to Janet, a daughter of Mr. Fletcher Nobbs, of Longridge. The day was generally observed as a holiday, and the island church, where the ceremony took place, was nicely decorated by loving friends, the choir being in attendance, and singing appropriate music. The bride was attired in a marvellous robe of local manufacture, which, no doubt, had something to do with the attendance, the church being crowded with the gentler sex. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Palmer, of St. Barnabas', and the wedding appeared to be effective. A shower of rice greeted the newly married couple on their departure from the church to the family seat at Longridge, where the breakfast was provided, and where there were great rejoicings over the event. Shortly after the *dejeuner* the happy pair departed for their new home, Waverny Cottage, which has just been finished for their reception.

The spring exhibition of the Horticultural Society was held in the grounds of Mr. Thomas Baffett, of Longridge, on the 23rd November. The day, a marked contrast to the late inclement season, was beautifully mild and genial, and as the day was gazetted a holiday, there was necessarily a large attendance. As is usual, it took the shape of a large picnic, formed into groups, each of which contained a circle of related families. The outlook for the food department was supposed to be dismal, consequent on the scarcity of small stores, yet when the signal for dinner was given there was hardly any perceptible difference. The exhibits and competition in the agricultural class were equal, if not superior, to any previous show. In kumaras, for the best 12 the Melanesian Mission took first and second prizes for two fine samples, the heaviest weighing 46lb. The best 24 Irish potatoes weighed 21½lb.: won by Alfred Nobbs, who also took the president's prize for bananas, "not China," with a very handsome bunch of "Sydney" (M. sapientum). The prize bunch of bananas weighed 66lb., Joseph Adams proprietor. Mammoth cabbages, carrots, turnips, and such like gear were there in quantities; and the display of *strawberries*, for size, flavour, and abundance, was something to see. The magistrate had the best six yams, weight 108½lb.; the secretary taking the award for peas with a fine collection of 14 different sorts. And to see the display of sugar cane—one wonders why we have to go away to buy sugar. Mr. Thomas Rossiter, as usual, had a splendid collection, that did ample justice to the resources of the island. In the horticultural department, still a marked improvement, the sections were well contested, and the exhibits very equal. Mrs. Dwight Allen's fuchsias and flowering shrubs were the cynosure of all observers; so also worthy of notice were the ferns of Mrs. Dr. Metcalfe (first prize), as being well grown, perfect fronds, and fructification complete, and the same might be said of all the exhibits in this class. The magistrate's daughters, the Misses Jane, Harriet, and Edwina Nobbs, were prize-winners with good exhibits; indeed the first mentioned was to the fore in many of the sections, and appears to be as unassuming as she is industrious. In nosegays the judges had a tough job of it, having to pick out eight out of 50, all tastefully and neatly put together. The bishop's prize for the neatest and trimest flower garden, four prizes, won in the order named:—Mrs. F. Young, Mrs. Captain Bates, Miss Jane Nobbs, Mrs. Miriam Christian.

After dinner the names of the prize winners, in the absence of the president (the Rev. R. H. Codrington), who is away in England, were read over by the Rev. Mr. Palmer, who made a few appropriate remarks. The magistrate (Mr. F. M. Nobbs) and the hon. treasurers (Dr. Metcalfe) cut in with neat speeches, after which the doxology was sung, and the prizes paid were over, which ended the business of one of the most successful exhibitions since the organisation of the society.

The whaling, after one of the most inclement seasons on record, has closed with a result most unfortunate for whalemen, and which will be felt for months to come, as with its proceeds, assisted with farm produce, &c., they manage to eke out what at best is not a very luxuriant livelihood. The catch has been 18 tuns which, with the exception of three or four tuns in tanks, has been exported to Auckland. The American ship Rainice, from Philadelphia to Japan, called in this morning for fresh supplies, and the vessel proceeded on. She reports the Pactolus, from and to same place, spoken two weeks ago.

CRUELTY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I must apologise for again troubling you on this subject, but as Mr. Webber's attempted public vindication of the A. P. S. is really the most serious indictment yet made against that body, it must not pass unnoticed. He wanders to such sections of the Act as are not in any way at issue, to disprove question one of my remarks recently published in your columns; but he cannot deny the correctness of the principles there enunciated without laying the society open to the charge of having assumed powers in excess of those to which it is legally entitled.

Had I not known quite well that the provisions of this Act were not so rigidly framed as to frustrate any person from assisting the A. P. S. in its administration, I should not have publicly stated that a private individual had thus been instrumental in directing its action.

I am certainly aware that question 5 is, as Mr. Webber says, somewhat inaccurate, for I there only mentioned one of the two instances in which the society has received private monetary assistance.

But Mr. Webber's confession that question 4 is true, and not at all overdrawn, is the most damaging statement yet made public against this society, for this confession unconditionally admits that the committee have been and are cognisant of the fact that during the past two years about two millions and a quarter of sheep and about 150,000 head of cattle have been maltreated and starved for periods varying from 3 to 10, and even 12, days; and what has this official or the society done to arrest this constant wholesale wanton cruelty? As a permanently paid inspector, whose engagement ought only to have depended upon the satisfactory performance of his duties, he has instituted legal proceedings in two instances only; and to induce him to do even this it was necessary to privately subsidise a public society through its principal officer in the discharge of his public legitimate duty!

If the society will direct an able and conscientious inspector to prosecute in all cases of real cruelty which are sufficiently authenticated to meet legal requirements, I think that, through the provision of the present Act, they will be rewarded for their humane action. Even if all prosecutions do not secure convictions, those persons who escape the penalty they so thoroughly richly deserve through some technical irregularity, will stand condemned as marked men when the public are fairly acquainted with the nature and extent of the organised disastrous cruelty they desire to inflict. If the society do not, by such praiseworthy endeavours, remedy this prodigious evil, it will then only be necessary for them to publish once or twice weekly a complete statement of the nature and extent of the cruelty which the law tolerates in spite of their earnest endeavours to redress; when public opinion will become so aroused that not only would the law be quickly amended, but funds would certainly be liberally subscribed for its enforcement. Even now a dozen members would take charge of an amending bill, although the existing Act has not been found so defective as alleged. Mr. Hunt looks upon anything I have said or done "as the fulcrum by which the A. P. S. will be arrested in moving Parliament for an amended and more powerful Act, but, judging from their past wavering energy and bewildering procedure, I fear they as a committee would be swamped by such inverse pressure as must result from the irresistible force mentioned by Mr. Hunt and applied as he suggests. I am, &c., MUSA.

Captain Shaw, the chief officer of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade, has just been the recipient of a handsome timepiece, which was accompanied by a letter from Sir Henry Ponsonby, dated from Buckingham Palace, in which it was stated that the Queen had commanded the clock to be sent as a present from herself. The clock is a massive one, of ebonite marble, and has above it in gold a fireman's helmet, an axe, and a belt. There is also an inscription plate bearing the following:—"Presented to Captain Shaw, superintendent of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade, by Victoria, R.I., 1883." This is surmounted by the Imperial Crown.

NOTES IN INDIA.

I.—THE EXHIBITION.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, Nov. 13.

Viewed as a "city of palaces," Calcutta is a trifle disappointing. There are some handsome buildings, it is true, but they are few and far between. There is a native population of nearly a million, and their dens line miles of streets, narrower than any lanes in Sydney. Here and there a splendid mansion rises out of the surrounding filth and squalor, but the approach to it is so narrow that carriages containing the lordly natives who are the proprietors cannot pass, and consequently certain streets are used for approaching and others for departing guests. Some of the Government buildings—notably the new public offices—are elegant structures, but brick and stucco predominate, stone being almost unknown. The city is a fine one in many respects, but Sydney or Melbourne can lay almost equal claim to the pretentious title which admirers of the Golden East have bestowed upon it. There are no streets in Calcutta to compare with George or Pitt streets in Sydney, the business of most large firms being conducted here in buildings evidently designed for private residences. Punkahs are in constant use for nine months out of the year, and a Calcutta lady on her shopping tour would faint straight off if on entering her milliner's she found that air-stirring invention quiet. To most people visiting India for the first time they are simply a nuisance. They are hung too low for an ordinarily-sized individual to pass under without disturbing his hair, and it is excessively awkward when making your politest bow to back out just as the punkah swings to you from the opposite direction. They are generally of old and faded calico, with tawdry trimmings, and no amount of furniture will make a room look pretty if there is a punkah about. Anglo-Indians often learn with surprise that punkahs are not in general use in Australia. They have become quite accustomed to these and other wretched contrivances, which, instead of rendering the burden of life easier to bear rather adds to its weariness.

Calcutta is peculiarly situated. Between the city and Hourah, the eastern branch of Calcutta, where the East Indian Railway terminates, there is a broad, deep, and rapid-flowing river. It is nearly half-a-mile wide, and the only means of communication between the city and the opposite shore is by a huge floating bridge, which during certain hours is closed against all passenger and vehicular traffic in order that an opening may be made for the passage of vessels proceeding up or down the stream. This is the famous river Hooghly—one of the many tributaries of the Sacred Ganges, whose mouths have made a complete network of islands, capes, and peninsulas for a distance of 200 miles along the coast of Bengal Bay. The Hooghly leaves the parent river 140 miles above Calcutta, and pours down in a swift impetuous torrent, swirling past Calcutta, and carrying all refuse away to the ocean at a rate of over 10 miles an hour. For two miles below Calcutta it is crowded with shipping, flying every flag described in the maritime code, and the sight presented by the long lines of steamers moored abreast—in some places three and four deep—is one not to be forgotten. The shipping trade of Calcutta is simply enormous, but amongst all the vessels trading to this port, not one in a thousand bears an Australian ensign. British, American, French, Dutch, German, Russian, and a score of other nationalities are represented, and there can be no doubt that Calcutta is one of the first ports in the world. On the Calcutta side of the Hooghly there are no railways, and such an institution as suburban trains is unknown. There are street tramways, but they are extensively patronised by the natives, and consequently it is quite *infra dig.* for Europeans to travel in the cars. Both steam and horses are used, and the cars are invariably crowded. It is thoroughly characteristic of the country, however, to find the most antiquated modes of locomotion still in existence. Palankeens, or "fever boxes," as they are generally termed, are at every street corner, and notwithstanding that four men are required to carry each passenger, the fare is only about fourpence per hour, considerably cheaper than an hour's riding would be by a steam tramcar. The sensation of being hoisted up and carried along at a six miles an hour walk is luxurious, and decidedly novel to an Australian. The street vehicles are cheap, but uncomfortable, the horses drawing them being about the worst in the world. None of the drivers speak a word of English, and strangers have considerable difficulty in getting about the city. A knowledge of the language is simply indispensable in Calcutta, unless the services of a friendly acquaintance, who has lived some time in India, can be secured. Strangest of all sights is that of gangs of coolies hauling along tram-waggons laden with goods, although they may block the way for a steam motor. All the Australian exhibits were taken up to the Exhibition buildings in that way, or else on rudely-constructed drays, drawn by wretched little bullocks—not much bigger than crossbred sheep—but whose haulage power is simply astonishing. Everything moves slowly here. Innovations are made, it is true, but antiquated fashions and customs are adhered to, and within the dazzling circle of light shed by the electric lamps on the beautiful lawns of the Eden gardens native "bearers" may be seen trimming little floating oil wicks in earthen saucers, as their forefathers did centuries ago. The city has been given over to festivals of Hindoos and Mussulmans for the past month, and business has been virtually suspended, much to the chagrin of exhibitors, whose preparations have been in consequence delayed. The Hindoo "Doorga Poojah," which lasted for nearly a fortnight, caused a total cessation of work everywhere, and all the leading officials of the Government left the city for a holiday. A native cannot be made to understand that anything is wanted in a hurry, and when a religious holiday is on the boards he simply absents himself, without asking leave. The Mussulmans, who in religious matters are at deadly enmity with the Hindoos, have just had their good time, and as most of the "Knitmutgars" (native attendants) belong to that faith, some recently-arrived visitors have found things rather awkward. The Mahommedan festival has certainly made the streets gay after nightfall. Huge pagoda-shaped structures, covered with tinsel, lighted with candles in cup-shaped globes, and carried on the shoulders of 40 or 50 followers of the Prophet, are borne aloft in triumph. In front a number of devotees shout and sing at the top of their discordant voices the names of two of the Prophet's nephews, who once fell in deadly conflict, and the anniversary of whose sudden decease they now celebrate. The sight is extraordinary, but excessively stupid. Everything is tawdry, the tinsel ornaments are shabby, the candles burn dimly and often go out altogether. The torches emit an unpleasant odour, and the few pious Mussulmans who do exert themselves in singing and shouting seem thoroughly ashamed of themselves. Some of them contrive to get excited. They fight with singlesticks and quarter-staves, they whirl huge torches through the air, and go through all sorts of gymnastic exercises, but they are particularly careful through their gyrations not to hurt each other. There is music, of course, but it consists of half-a-dozen Indian drums, beaten with the naked fist, and occasionally a shrill pipe playing no air in particular. When it is considered that to view such a demonstration a visit must be paid to the native quarters, exposed to the worst smells ever experienced, and with cases of cholera within a few yards, the pleasure may be purchased too dearly. Fever is always on the warpath in Calcutta, and very few strangers escape.

The Exhibition, which will open on the 4th proximo, is attracting more attention than appeared at first likely. The Bengal Government has certainly done more for Mr. Joubert than even that sanguine and enterprising gentleman could ever have expected. He proposed an Exhibition in Calcutta—himself to be the sole proprietor, and the project was at once taken up by the Bengal Government. He got for the asking a magnificent building known as the Indian Museum, any amount of building space for nothing, and the services of the Public Works Department were also placed at his disposal to put up any buildings which he might require in furtherance of his scheme. He issued prospectuses everywhere, and established agencies in France, Germany, England, and other places, and then proceeded to Australia with a secretary. While Mr. Joubert was down in that far-away corner of the world, the Bengal Government pushed on with the work, and actually invited the various Australian Governments to co-operate in an International Exhibition. Remembering that India occupied a distinguished position in the Australian Exhibitions, ready compliance was given, and public money was voted by New South Wales, Victoria, Tasmania, and South Australia in order to be represented at the Exhibition. One of the colonies believing that the Indian Government had taken the affair into its own hands, actually applied for space direct, and was promptly granted the quantity required, apparently without the slightest reference to Mr. Joubert. Of course that was accepted as *prima facie* evidence that it was removed from the range of private speculations, but that impression was quickly removed by Mr. Joubert on the earliest possible opportunity. The first Australian representative to arrive in Calcutta was immediately called upon to pay for the space allotted to his colony, and as the only alternative offered was total exclusion from the Exhibition, compliance with the demand had to be granted. To have all the illusions formed in the colonies as to the connection of the Indian Government with the undertaking so rudely dispelled was somewhat disappointing, and the representative in question felt constrained to represent the matter in its true light not only to Mr. Joubert, but to the Indian and to his own Government. The newspapers naturally heard of the matter, and they have since been strongly urging the Government to assert itself, and assume the management of what is really an international exhibition. The colony in question does not object to paying for space, but insists upon dealing with the Government of Bengal in the matter, considering the many important questions which will have to be settled—notably the adjudication business and distribution of awards. One leading Calcutta journal (the *Indian Daily News*) writes only this morning, "We do hope that the Lieutenant-Governor will lose no time in defining Mr. Joubert's position and making that position known, because already English exhibitors, discounting the possible value of awards, want to know whether there will be a Joubert medal, a Bengal medal, or an Indian medal." In another issue the same journal said: "The fact is, Mr. Joubert's connection with the Exhibition has never been properly defined, and this ought to be done even now, if scandals and unnecessary reflections are to be avoided. It is time this sort of thing was put a stop to, and the character of the Exhibition put upon a proper footing. It is also to be hoped that Mr. Rivers Thompson (the Lieutenant-Governor) will take up the question of the treatment of the colony of Victoria, and deal with it in a manner which shall save India and the Exhibition from just reproach." As New South Wales is in precisely the same position, I presume the representative of Victoria (Mr. James Thomson), who has been fighting the question of Mr. Joubert's supremacy single-handed, will receive an augmentation to his forces when Mr. Franklyn, executive commissioner, arrives. He is due here on the 16th instant, and as most of the exhibits from Sydney are already in the building he can proceed without delay to prepare his court. Mr. Pugh, who arrived in charge a fortnight since, has already made progress with the general fittings, and it is evident that a fine show will be made by the parent colony of Australia.

The Exhibition buildings are nearing completion, but it is extremely doubtful if everything will be ready until nearly a month after the opening day. Altogether the grounds and buildings represent an aggregate area of something like 40 acres, the total space provided for indoor exhibits being about 400,000 square feet. The Australian courts are all close together, and one or two of them are well advanced. Victoria has a long building—about 300 feet x 45 feet—all to herself; and on the other side of the transept and in a direct line, comes the New South Wales court, which also fills up a separate building. A start has already been made by the officers in charge of the various colonial courts, and the erection of some of the large mineral trophies, which will form the principal features of the Australian courts, has been considerably advanced. As the time draws near Tasmania and South Australia divide one annexe parallel with and adjoining the New Wales court. Judging from the exhibits already opened up, the display of Australian exhibits will be exceedingly creditable, and of a character calculated to develop trade between the two countries. There are very few foreign exhibits, and in that respect the Exhibition can hardly be called international in character. It will without doubt be a very large and exceedingly interesting affair, but, unlike the great Australian Exhibition, there are no French, German, Belgium, or American courts, neither are there any accredited representatives from those or other foreign countries. Even Great Britain has no official representative, and in that respect the Australian colonies stand alone. Both New South Wales, Victoria, Tasmania, and South Australia have official representatives, and some of the Indian local Governments have also adopted a similar course. The Indian Museum—a large permanent block of buildings fronting the Maidan, or open park—will constitute the main hall, and in its quadrangle the opening ceremony will take place. [This ceremony has been described by cablegram, and appeared in the *Herald* of December 6.] It was found impossible to extend the buildings on the Museum side. A bridge had therefore to be thrown across the Chowringhee-road, and a space walled in on the Maidan itself. On that side all the Indian exhibits will be displayed, and all the machinery has also been placed there; but the sheds for the latter are hardly yet completed. The Indian exhibits will form a most attractive and wonderful display, and will undoubtedly prove the feature of the Exhibition. It is expected that native jewellery to the value of over £20,000,000 sterling will be shown, and for its safety a special building has been constructed, the windows of which are 20 feet from the ground. Great Britain has contributed an extensive collection of miscellaneous exhibits, and also of machinery. In my next I hope to send you some particulars of the more interesting features of the Indian court.

The weather just now is very fine, the trying heat of last month having given way to cool mornings and evenings. A number of strangers having business with the Exhibition have already arrived, but the sanguine hopes of the hotel and boarding-house keepers, who anticipated a rich harvest, have not yet been realised. They are already commencing to experience the bitterness of disappointed hopes, and more reasonable terms are now charged. The approaching visit of their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Connaught is to be timed for the opening of the Exhibition, and their presence will, no doubt, add to the importance and brilliancy of the scene that will be presented in the city on the 4th December.

The whole of the European population is violently agitated over the famous Ilbert Bill, which, as your readers are doubtless aware, is a measure intended to give native judges and magistrates power to try Europeans in both civil and criminal cases. Nothing more obnoxious to the feelings of Anglo-Indians has ever been brought forward, and the Marquis of Ripon, the present Viceroy, has incurred, by his persistent advocacy of the bill, an amount of odium and unpopularity which would make any less determined man retreat from his position. It may be safely calculated that 98 per cent. of the Anglo-Indian population is dead against the bill, and would proceed to any lengths to secure its rejection. The newspapers teem with indignant letters every day, and the language used towards the distinguished personage who at present occupies the chief place in India is plain and straight to the point. The Volunteer movement is very popular in India, and the Viceroy is honorary colonel *ex officio*. Most of the volunteer officers are leading residents, and exercise a good deal of influence in the community. When the Viceroy arrives in Calcutta every December, after his long sojourn in the hills, a guard of honour is of course formed, but this year the members of the volunteer corps have been appealed to by numerous opponents of the Ilbert Bill to absent themselves from the parade, and so unmistakably express the opinion felt on the conduct of the Viceroy. Here is a specimen letter taken from the columns of a Calcutta journal this day:—

"The first duty of volunteers being, essentially towards their fellow citizens, no such shallow excuse as superior orders would serve to remove from them the stigma of having lent themselves to further political ends diametrically opposed to the welfare and liberty of their fellow citizens. This is the more evident in this country where the rights and liberties not only of their fellow citizens but of their fellow countrymen are attacked by their honorary colonel, a Viceroy who has divorced himself from those who might be called of his own flesh and blood to subject them to alien and inferior races. As to the need of recognising Lord Ripon's official rank, the regular troops can furnish any number of guards-of-honour without misrepresenting the normal feelings of their fellow countrymen in India. A volunteer guard-of-honour being at all times looked upon as the strongest expression of popular goodwill, would no doubt be more gratifying to the chief of the State; but I very much doubt whether in England even the presence of our beloved Queen herself would elicit those hearty cheers and other expressions of popular enthusiasm, such as volunteer guards-of-honour, &c., had her Majesty been capable of giving her personal support to any measure directly aiming at the degradation of her own race."

That may be taken as a mild specimen of hundreds of protests made all over India. The measure is almost certain to pass, as there is no Parliament here, and the Viceroy is practically the entire Government.

The want of direct communication with Australia tends to retard the development of trade between India and the colonies. It is not possible that Australian products and manufactures will ever be plentiful and cheap here under existing conditions. There is a fair market here for many articles, such as wines, fresh fruit, dairy produce, and other perishable food products; but the high rates of freight, together with the transhipment and 12 days' detention at Colombo, quite puts Australia of it. There are many inquiries for Australian wines in consequence of the fame which they achieved at Bordeaux, and the coming Exhibition will, no doubt, have a beneficial effect in disseminating a knowledge of their good qualities in India. Cheap direct transit is, however, the *desideratum*, and until Australian enterprise is manifested in that direction the colonies must be content to leave the trade of India to others.

SAMOA AND ANNEXATION.

(*From the New Zealand Herald, December 7.*)

Our readers have been previously advised of a movement in the Navigators Islands, having for its object annexation to New Zealand. After the passage of the Federation and Annexation Act through the New Zealand Parliament, copies of the measure were transmitted to Mr. John Lundon, then at Samoa, with the intention of having explained to the islanders and their Parliament how the measure could facilitate the desires already entertained among them in favour of political connection with this colony. It appears that the consular administration which controls the islands in their relations with Europeans abroad or resident in the islands, has been very vexatious in its operations, and the islanders are prepared for anything to relieve them from this anomalous interference with them, and with their government of themselves. By the Penguin, from Fiji, Mr. Lundon has just returned from the islands, and is the bearer of important communications addressed to the Premier and members of the Assembly of New Zealand.

It appears that the Annexation Act of this colony has been fully discussed by the Parliament and chiefs of Samoa, and that they have unanimously agreed to take steps towards obtaining annexation to New Zealand. One of the communications says:—"Masua brought the various chiefs and members of Parliament, and they expressed themselves much gratified with the action taken by the Parliament of New Zealand with regard to Samoa, and they promised Mr. Lundon that they would hold a meeting of both Houses of Parliament, and discuss the Annexation Bill and the petition for annexation—which they have since done, and were all unanimous for annexation to New Zealand. All the members were present with the exception of the two kings, viz., Malietoa and vice-King Tamasese, they thinking it better not to attend." It would appear that the Samoans have been particularly taken by the large sums voted in the New Zealand Parliament for education, for native schools, and land courts, and being a very intelligent people, fully comprehended the amounts and the purport of the expenditure in various departments of the public service.

The communication forwarded from Samoa by the request of the Samoan Government to the Premier and Parliament of New Zealand says:—"The members of the present Samoan Government and other chiefs of influence not in the Government have asked me to make the following proposition to you:—Will your Government pay the expenses of the visit of a deputation of Samoan chiefs to New Zealand, while there, and the return back to Samoa; the deputation to consist of 10 members and an interpreter extra? They are willing, and await this answer, to appoint a deputation to visit you, consult you, and, if clear and good to their mind, enter into a temporary arrangement for annexation till further news is obtained from the Home Government; a deputation also from your Government to come back with them, and further the scheme, to fix it in all points." The letter urges, "Send your Government vessel here for them; when in New Zealand show them about the country, and they will return here full of wonder and admiration and praise of what your Government can do; it will set them a longing for and desire for their country to be like it. Get the native members of Parliament to send an invitation for King Malietoa to go to New Zealand." Again: "Since passing Sir George Grey's resolutions on this subject through the House the scheme has borne fruit; annexation is now the feeling."

In a memorandum accompanying it is said:—"They are willing to go the full length of anything, so that they can get a check on the Germans from taking land never sold to them, and a check on the consuls from bullying them so often. They do not want to be a Crown colony, but they desire to be joined to a representative one;" and the statement goes so far as saying that should the Home Government decline to sanction action in the matter they are prepared voluntarily to take action themselves, and "declare themselves part and parcel of New Zealand. There has never been a better opportunity of transferring this group to the British than now. If not France will be here next year, as well as at the New Hebrides. The last war vessel (French) from Tahiti that was here told the people that next year they will come and visit them and do them some good. The French priests do not want France here on account of the ill-feeling between the Republic and the priests. Every Catholic chief, Protestant chief, and wild chief of influence, is for joining New Zealand, hoping, wishing, and praying for it, so as to get settled in mind and in government." The letter enclosing these documents for the New Zealand Government says:—"They are written out by me, at the expressed wish of the present Government, the Tainna, and faipule of the Samoan Government, to be forwarded to the honourable members. You will please take charge of them, and see that they are delivered truly into their hands."

We may add that the intelligence just received as to the strong desire of the Samoan Government and Parliament in favour of annexation to New Zealand, and of the steps taken with that object, was yesterday transmitted by cable to Mr. Whitaker at Sydney, so that he may be possessed of the information in the event of anything arising bearing on Samoa at the convention, which, it is stated, will probably close its sittings to-day.

INDO-AUSTRALIAN TRADE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—In your sub-leader this morning there is much food for thought and many valuable suggestions, and I doubt not it will tend to rouse public attention to this important matter, especially in India, as I shall take care to send the *Herald* to parties interested there. There is one point, however, on which you may please allow me to say a word. You say my "resolutions do not fully cover the subject, and that it will be necessary to open communications between the several chambers of commerce here and in India." This, Sir, is common sense; but if you look at the third resolution passed by the Calcutta Exhibition Commissioners, and which I enclose, you will find it provides that copies of the resolutions be forwarded to *inter alias* the Chambers of Commerce in Calcutta, Madras, Bombay, Colombo, Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide, Perth, Hobart, Wellington, Fiji, &c. The complaints against the existing *régime* are surely, to some extent at least, remediable. The carelessness of handling merchandise during the vexatious transhipment at Colombo, the wearisome and almost fatal detention there of from twelve days to sometimes two and even three months, could surely be remedied by a better arrangement. Doubtless port dues and shipping charges are very heavy in the river Hooghly; but if a suggestion of mine were carried out, and three steamers put on the service, constructed specially to carry freight, passengers, and live stock, I do think it would not be a difficult matter to induce the Indian Government to indirectly subsidise such a service by giving it the preference for carriage of horses, commissariat supplies, &c., and reducing, if not entirely remitting, the charges alluded to. Such steamers picking up cargo at Adelaide (potatoes, flour, wine, &c.); at Melbourne, soap, candles, wines, tweeds, rope, hops, machinery, &c., at Sydney, fruits, preserves, tinned meats, wines, copper, tin, other metals, kerosene, coal, rum, wool, hides, cornflour, and other produce (these, of course, are merely suggestive); at Brisbane similar goods. At Port Darwin horses and live stock (sheep even for Singapore) could be shipped, and would arrive in splendid condition in Calcutta after a three weeks' run through summer seas. (The comparison of the present old wooden shambles running round the stormy Leuwin will here suggest itself.) Were such a service once fairly started, who can doubt but that trade now admittedly meagre and unsatisfactory would grow as facilities for its expansion were provided? The Secretary to the Government of India, in the Department of Commerce and Agriculture, is eager in his advocacy of an extension of this trade, and powerful influence would be used with the Indian authorities to draw commissariat supplies largely from Australia. In return, there is a growing trade in tea, now amounting annually to some 3,000,000lb. In rice, spices, drugs, jute goods, coir, kapok, saltpetre (and, strange to say, even salt used to come here from India), chutnees, mats, cane goods, silks, cotton druggets, dyes, tanning materials (such as myrabolams), and all the varied produce of India, a big trade would undoubtedly spring up; nay, is even now on the increase, in spite of all drawbacks and discouragements. I thank you, Sir, for the evident interest you take in this matter. I quite appreciate your not unkind survey of obstacles, objections, and difficulties. If these should, in the opinion of practical men, be found to be insuperable, why then, of course, we must be content to blunder and stumble on as we are. But it is with the view of getting practical ideas on the subject that these resolutions have been passed, and for your goodness in giving publicity to the importance of the question, I am, &c.,

JAMES INGLIS.

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THE OPIUM TRAFFIC.

The petition of Mr. Quong Tart and some of his countrymen anent the trade in opium, and its havoc amongst Chinamen, deserves attention. That trade is now of such long standing, it has raised up so many collateral interests, and withal has taken so firm a hold upon the Chinese, that a remedy for it will not readily be found, and because its remedy means that the whole thing be entirely swept away. To obtain an idea of this remarkable and shocking trade, it is necessary to traverse its history. Material for this is fragmentary and scanty, compared with the magnitude of the interests involved and the baleful influence which it exerts.

Most persons having any knowledge of this subject are aware that the bulk of the opium consumed by Chinamen is grown in India. No secret is made of the fact that its product is not only encouraged, but insisted upon as a source of revenue to the Indian Government. Sir Cecil Beadon, once Secretary to the Board of Revenue in India, gave evidence before a Parliamentary committee to the following effect. He was asked to explain the system under which the Indian Government encouraged the growth of opium. He said: "The Government have established two agencies, one at Patna and the other at Ghazeepore, which are usually called the Behar agency and the Benares agency; the headquarters of the one being at Patna, and of the other at Ghazeepore. Each agency is divided into sub-agencies, which may be either coterminous with the ordinary administrative districts, or sometimes there are two, three, or four sub-agencies in one district. Under the sub-agents are native establishments whose business it is to look after the cultivation. When any ryot or peasant wishes to cultivate opium he goes to the sub-agent, has his name registered, his land measured, and gets an advance of money. When the plant is above the ground, the land is measured again to ascertain what quantity has been sown. If the peasant has not sown so much as he promised, he gets a smaller advance, or a larger one if he has grown more. When the ryot has gathered the crop he takes it to the sub-agent, who acts for the Government. It is examined and weighed, and the balance due to the ryot is paid." In this way it may be seen that in the most methodical manner the Government lays itself out to encourage the growth of opium, and the plea set up is that if it were not done by Government it would be done by someone else. The sub-agents collect all the parcels of opium brought in, as sugar refiners on our northern coasts buy cane and juice from small planters. Under their management it is prepared for market; some consumed in India; but the bulk sent to Calcutta, where it is sold periodically to merchants, who export it to China. Large quantities are grown in Western India, also in the states of native princes, and is shipped from Bombay. The witness quoted above said plainly when asked, that in the provinces subject to the Queen the production of opium was regulated according to the financial needs of the Government. The Government determines how much land shall be put under cultivation, and to what extent it can advance money for it. How profitable an investment this is may be seen from the fact that in one year, the latest for which there were reliable returns at the time under consideration, the Government paid away £1,717,746 for opium, which they afterwards sold for £6,622,225, netting £4,904,500 on the transaction. Statistics, veracious of course, were available to show how much opium was sold for home consumption that same year. What is called Akban opium to the value of £310,000 was sold, on which the Government netted a profit of £210,000. So that whilst in Eastern India the inhabitants consumed £310,000 worth of opium, nearly seven millions' worth went to China. It was stated, of course only as a matter of belief, that no moral consideration influenced the Government, and that if they could double the revenue now derived from this trade they would do so. There are facts to warrant that belief. As much as £9,000,000 in a year have been realised from traffic in opium; and excepting the cultivation of the poppy, nearly all the work, even the sale of the opium by auction, is done by the Government. The sales in the two districts named above, both under the Queen's Government, amounted to 21,526 chests in 1845. To what extent the trade has been encouraged, and the Indian Exchequer benefited by it, the returns for 1875 will show. The total for that year was 45,000 chests.

Opium grown in the free native states of Western India is made to yield a revenue to the Crown. It is produced in the territories of Holkar, Scindia, Rutlam, and nearly all the petty states. The crop when gathered and prepared for exportation is sent to Indore, where it is weighed. At first a duty of 200 rupees per chest of 112lb. was paid. The duty was subsequently raised to 500, and then to 600.

From a report of East Indian finance it appears that at one time the acreage devoted to opium was steadily increased, and the report distinctly states that "the increase was caused by the Government finding it necessary to bring a greater area under cultivation in consequence of the fall of prices in the Bengal district." The increase took place sometimes at the rate of 10,000 and 50,000 acres per year. The number of chests exported has risen proportionately. In 10 years the trade increased from 11,000 chests to 86,000 per year. It was understood that pressure might be and must be brought to bear upon the cultivation of the plant. Indian Governors instructed their subordinates to the effect that only the growth of opium would make their revenue easy. Sir Richard Temple said, "I am clear for extending the cultivation and for insuring a plentiful supply. If we do not do this, the Chinese will do it for themselves. They had better have our good opium than their own indifferent opium. There is really no moral objection to the business." Another official wrote concerning increased cultivation, "This would just suffice, and no more, to put us on smooth ground again." From these remarks it is easy to see that the expenses of the Indian Government are framed with a view to the growing revenue derivable from opium; and that when something additional is wanted, or when other sources of revenue fail, more pressure is brought to bear on the opium trade. Either more land is placed under cultivation or a higher duty is levied upon the article. There can be no doubt that at one time, if not now, the peasantry were compelled to cultivate the Indian poppy. It has been openly affirmed that "the cultivation of the plant is compulsory, for if the ryot refuse the advance for the year's crop the simple plan of throwing the rupees into his house is adopted; should he attempt to abscond, the agents seize him, tie the advance up in his clothes, and push him into his house. There being no remedy, he applies himself as he may to the fulfilment of his contract." This used to be done. Sir W. Muir also speaks of the Bengal Government "straining every nerve to extend the cultivation of the poppy," and the consequent "discontent of the agricultural population." He says: "The case to which I allude was that of new districts where the poppy had not hitherto been grown, and into which the Bengal Board were endeavouring to extend the cultivation by the bait of large advances among an unwilling peasantry, and all this with a view of securing a wider area of poppy cultivation and a firmer grasp on the Chinese market."

The effects of the opium trade in India itself, where the quantity used is small compared with the consumption in China, is nevertheless notoriously pernicious. An Indian Civil servant says—"It is well known that the tea plantations of Assam were in imminent danger of failure, solely through the undue use of opium by the labourers brought to the plantations. It was seen that unless the Government interfered directly their men could not be arrested. The Indian Government did not hesitate to call in its legislative power, and passed Acts to repress and discourage the growth and sale of opium as creating and upholding this iniquitous and immoral trade." Previous to the passing of these Acts, from infancy upwards, native Indians consumed opium. It is said that the use of opium degenerated the Assamese from a fine race of people to the most abject, servile, crafty, and demoralised race in India. The sale of this drug used to be encouraged in British Burmah, so as to make it a public scandal. Organised efforts were made by agents to create a taste for the drug. The plan was to open a shop, to invite young men, and to distribute it gratuitously. Further, to establish the trade the drug was sold at a low rate. Mr. G. Smith, in giving evidence before a special committee said—"There have been two serious instances within the last few years in which the poppy displaced the growing of grain. In Malwa, when the people of Northern Rajpootana streamed down to avoid the famine, they found no food, because Malwa is not a food-importing district, being so largely devoted to opium; thousands perished from starvation along the high road on their return to their own districts. This has occurred in Western India in the case of every great famine." A missionary says—"1,200,000 people died of famine and the diseases induced by it." The province of Malwa, but for opium growing, would have supplied all the necessary cereals.

The effects of using opium are too well known to need detailed statement. Moreover, they are too sickening to read. The familiar device of representing pictorially the progress of a drunkard or a rake has been adopted to show the progress of an opium eater. A series of 12 illustrations was prepared and distributed largely through Southern China. Another similar effort was also made in a series of sketches In the first is shown a young man richly attired, and with every sign of wealth around him. Near him is a servant with elegant appliances for supplying him with opium. In the second he is reclining upon a sofa with a pipe in his mouth, surrounded by courtesans and musicians. His money is being freely spent. In the third he begins to look emaciated, shoulders high, teeth naked, face black, dosing from morning till night. In the fourth his house and lands are gone; his wife and child stand before him, poverty-stricken; in the fifth his distress is extreme. He scrapes together a few coins, hurries away to a smoking-house to buy the scrapings of another smoker. In the sixth he is a fixed sot. The reality is worse than the picture, and it is multiplied by millions.

Beside the question of all the mischief and misery wrought by opium is the fact that this trade was forced upon China. It was in 1773 that the East India Company sent its first small shipment of opium to Canton. Prior to that the Portuguese had commenced the trade, sending about a 1000 chests per year. At the beginning of this century the Emperor of China prohibited the trade, under heavy penalties, because it was wasting the time and destroying the property of his subjects. Merchants were required to give bond that no ship which discharged cargo at Whampoa, the port of Canton, had opium on board. Addresses full of pathetic entreaty and unearthly terror were circulated by Chinese authority. All nations trading to Chinese ports were warned that "the gods would conduct the fair dealers in safety across the ocean, but over contraband smugglers of a pernicious poison the terrors of the royal law on earth, and the wrath of the infernal gods in Hades were suspended." This made little difference to the trade beyond causing the drug to be landed at another port. At an island named Lintin a floating depot was formed and remained there till 1839. Native buyers went to foreign merchants at Canton and bought at market price, paying in specie, and obtaining orders on captains for the amount purchased. It was still a difficult task to get the goods. It was regarded as smuggling, and treated as such. If the wherries which took the trade from the ships to the shore were caught it was death to all on board, and confiscation of the property. But in course of time by bribery the trade became easy and safe, and it was carried on openly in daylight. It was said at the time that "the highest persons in the province were not ashamed to participate in the profits of the trade." The better class of Chinese protested in vain against this trade, and it was in consequence of it that they urged strong objections against all foreign trade. In the year 1839 strenuous efforts were made to put down the obnoxious traffic. A commissioner was sent to Canton, with full powers. The upshot of his mission was that about 20,000 chests of opium were destroyed, and war was declared against China. The result of that war was that several Chinese ports fell into the hands of England, China had to pay 6,000,000 dollars for the opium destroyed, and 21,000,000 dollars more as the cost of being compelled to do it. The result of the treaty of Nanking has ever since been the growing sale of opium. The Chinese were told that they must first cure themselves of their passion for the drug, and British merchants would import no more: that so long as the appetite lasted the supply would continue; and that if the English did not send the drug some other nation would; therefore the traffic ought to be legalised. To be sure the treaty contained a promise that the British Consul should aid the Chinese authorities to put down the trade, and smuggling was to be very severely dealt with. But as a matter of fact ships fitted out in England for the opium trade sailed without let or hindrance, and a roaring trade was done. In 1839 the trade from India was about a million and a-half; but after the treaty had been in force 16 years the trade had become £6,000,000. After the second war with China a treaty was made to secure the importation of opium under a duty of 10 per cent. There is every necessary proof that the Chinese Government has always disliked and has always resisted both the importation and the growth of opium, official and non-official appeals against it, some of them most pathetic and touching have been made, but apparently in vain. The estimated value of this drug introduced into China from 1865 to 1872, inclusive, was £109,000,000, and the probability was that £32,000,000 more was smuggled in. There is evidence to show that it is from this smuggled stock that shipments are made to California and Australia. During the ten years ending 1881 we imported 227,586lb. of opium, and its value is set down at £494,305, on which we have charged a duty of 10s. per lb. About 50,000lb. of this has been exported to other colonies, leaving 178,750lb. for consumption here. Our revenue from it has been nearly £90,000. Since most if not all of this opium is consumed by Chinamen, one does not wonder that Mr. Quong Tart and others of his countrymen cry out. The use of the drug here is followed by the consequences which ensue elsewhere, and the petition now in course of signature does not overstate the case. Frequently an outcry is raised against the heathen Chinee and his wicked ways, and those who raise it forget that this country legalises the importation of the drug which Quong Tart says is degrading to his countrymen, and that we net nearly £10,000 a year from the trade.

OUR WATER SUPPLY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Judging from the City Engineer's letter to the Mayor, published in this morning's *Herald*, there is some prospect of the water supply being inadequate to meet the demands during the hot season.

The Engineer's repeated warnings to the public ought most certainly to be respected. If they are not, and it becomes necessary to make the supply an intermittent one, householders will feel the change more than they at present imagine. At the same time, I would venture to suggest that if the present supply were delivered at about half the pressure now used, not only would there be a great saving in the quantity of water run to waste, but there would also be a considerable saving in the cost of steam pumping from Botany.

The reduced pressure would be ample for ordinary domestic purposes, and, of course, the pressure could be raised at any time by the engines, in case of necessity, for fire-extinction.

I am, &c.,
HYDRAULICIAN.

Sydney, December 17.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The Corporation officials invite citizens to be careful and not waste water, but fail to set the example. When leakage occurs through defect in plug or pipe, water frequently escapes for hours before it is attended to, especially in the suburbs. Could not this be greatly reduced by supplying every council chamber with a chart of the main pipes, stopcocks, &c., so that the clerk could at once have the water shut off, to prevent this unnecessary waste?

I am, &c.,
W. J. S.

The *Bairnsdale Advertiser* has been furnished with the particulars of a most remarkable and miraculous escape from death which occurred at Buchan during a thunder-storm. Mr. Hampden, at a Gelantipy station, had entered the stable for the purpose of attending to an entire horse, and was stooping to put some feed in a box when the lightning struck the corner of the building, and knocked both Mr. Hampden and the horse down. The stillness in the stable attracted the attention of some of the young men near it, and when they went in they found Mr. Hampden, although sensible, unable to move. The lightning had struck him on the left side, just below the ribs, and had run down his left leg, inflicting serious burns, his clothing being completely burnt, and the left ankle and sole of the foot were very severely burnt. Although very badly injured, singular to state he is now progressing favourably towards recovery. The horse was uninjured, and jumped up as soon as the men entered the stable. A peculiar circumstance in connection with this affair is that although the right side was not struck by the fluid, yet there was a sore as large as a 5s. piece on the sole of the right foot. Mr. Hampden at first thought that the horse had kicked him, and was under the impression that his leg was broken. He describes the agony he suffered for a time as something frightful. A knife which he had on him bore marks of having been struck in four different places, and the buckle of the belt he had on was twisted out of shape.

A THANKFUL MOTHER.—"If the gratitude of a sensitive young girl," writes a thankful mother, "can afford you pleasure, you have that of my daughter to its fullest extent. She was our hope and pride, crushed to earth with a disfiguring scrofulous skin humour, which has been completely cured, after endless doctoring and great suffering, both in mind and body, by the Cuticura Resolvent (blood purifier) internally, and the Cuticura and Cuticura Soap (the great skin cures) externally. Her skin is now as soft, white, and beautiful, as a baby's." This is a sample of many private letters.—[ADVT.]

THE PYRAMIDS.

(*From the Saturday Review.*)

It might be supposed, prior to experience, that there is nothing more to be said about the Pyramids at Gezeh. Discoveries have been made, one might think, at Sakkara, or at Lisht, or at Abo[illegible] Rowash. But the Great Pyramid and its companions on the rock platform of Gezeh, have been surveyed and measured and mapped over and over again; and from the days of Perring and Howard Vyse, 40 years ago, to the present [illegible], almost every serious traveller has had his own theory about them, and not a few have put their theories on record in print. True, this enthusiasm, for it is nothing less, has been as a rule, confined to our own countrymen, or to our cousins in America. Lepsius among the Germans, and De Rougé among the French, have studied the pyramids to good purpose, but without the fervour which has culminated in the establishment among ourselves of what has been irreverently, but not quite untruthfully, described as a "pyramid religion." Of this cult Mr. Piazzi Smyth, the Scottish Astronomer-Royal, is the prophet. He and his disciples, who may, it is reported, be reckoned by thousands, believe that the Great Pyramid was the earliest of all the pyramids, that it was built by divine command, and that in its proportions and dimensions it contains and preserves a revelation to man. We have no intention of going into an examination of the tenets of this sect. There would be little use in showing their absurdity. People who believe in the pyramid inch and the sacred cubit and the great time passage theory are beyond argument. If facts fail them, so much the worse for facts. This is no exaggerated account of their views; and a survey which upsets all their fondest demonstrations will probably be found useless to convince a single believer in one of the most unfounded of modern hallucinations. At the same time it becomes almost the duty of scientific men to throw as much as possible of the cold light of historical investigation on the subject; and no one will be sorry to find that the council of the Royal Society has taken the matter up, and has shown a commendable willingness to examine, without prejudice, the real state of the case. When the Egyptian expedition of last year was decided upon, the society determined to devote a portion of the annual grant at their disposal to paying for a survey to be undertaken by the royal engineers; but before anything had been done to put the resolution into practice it came to the knowledge of the council that the proposed task had been already fulfilled by a young English gentleman, who had, at his own expense, gone over all the ground, and had actually, without any kind of public assistance, solved all the questions which they were about to submit to the scientific members of the British force in Egypt. In these circumstances the grant, only a hundred pounds, was awarded to Mr. Petrie on the understanding that the result of his self-imposed labour should be published in an accessible form with as little delay as possible; and his book is now accessible to all who are sufficiently interested in ancient Egypt and modern error to read through one of the most elaborate and painstaking systems of calculation ever compiled on any archæological question. No one can regret either that Mr. Petrie's self-denying work should be rewarded by a public recognition of this kind, or that the Royal Society should have spent national funds to ensure the adequate presentation of the facts he has gathered. As long as no better survey existed than that made by Professor Smyth, with his theory to prejudice everything he did or wrote, it was impossible to deal seriously with the views he put forward. It was no argument to say that they were antecedently improbable. Once they had been made articles of religious faith antecedent arguments, however weighty, fell to the ground, as weapons in the contest. But when Mr. Petrie's survey has been made public, not only does ordinary historical knowledge find itself largely reinforced, but all future theorisers will be obliged to grapple with a series of incontrovertible facts, gathered without any preformed opinion, yet answering to one another, and to probability in such a way as to be practically conclusive.

The questions to be determined were, in many cases, almost hopeless of solution. Strange as it may seem, no two estimates of the exact size of the Great Pyramid agreed with each other. In spite of the immense mass of written and printed observations, it was still a question how many Pharaohs were engaged on the building. The comparative antiquity of this pyramid and the other 50 or 60 which have been examined was unknown. The absolute age of the pyramid-building dynasties is still, and must long be, undetermined. The methods of working were unknown, and no reasonable view had been propounded as to the tools with which such stupendous results were obtained. The object to be reached by rearing such masses of almost solid masonry was a matter of keen controversy. No intelligent survey of the whole pyramid platform, no correct plan and section, no distinct enunciation of the problems involved were accessible. We had only the opinions of prejudiced observers, airing pet hobbies of their own, or careless exaggerations of facts, curious enough, no doubt, in themselves, but presented in such a fashion as to complicate rather than elucidate the difficulty. The Council of the Royal Society appears to have satisfied itself that Mr. Petrie had worked in a straightforward way, inclining neither to this opinion nor to that, until the whole of the facts which could be ascertained was before him; and that even then he had proceeded in so cautious a manner that his work, while it remains a monument of the possibilities of modern scientific inquiry, will hereafter be found rather the indispensable basis of future inquiry than a conclusive statement in itself. The soundness of the great mass of calculations which he has brought home can only be proved by years of investigation; but it may safely be said that nine-tenths of them will be found wholly new, and that the very soberness and moderation of his conclusions, while they place him immeasurably above mere theorists, will at the same time in all probability be pushed by others far beyond anything he has ventured to assert. This is as it should be. Investigators are seldom content, as he is, to state facts only; but it is their province to provide facts for those who know how to use them, though it is not in their power to prevent a misuse of what they have brought together by rash or prejudiced or interested partisans.

Mr. Petrie went the right way to work. Without extraneous assistance he took his baggage out to the pyramids in the autumn of 1880, and set up for himself in one of the numerous tombs between the edge of the pyramid platform and the Arab village. There, with but little but native society, and with rare visits to Cairo, he remained till May, 1881, and, returning in October of the same year, resumed his troglodytic existence for another winter, with only the break of a run up the Nile for a couple of months. The tomb he occupied had been formerly used by Mr. Waynman Dixon, and had a door and shutter. Mr. Petrie strengthened them, and fitted up shelves and a hammock. He hired an Arab servant, who had previously been employed by Mr. Smyth, Mr. Dixon, and Mr. Gill, and who was too well accustomed to the ways of explorers to think anything strange. Mr. Petrie observed that the temperature of his dwelling-place, which was cut in the solid limestone rock, did not vary more than from 58° to 64 during the winter months, and only reached 85° when a hot wind raised the outer air to 100°. His day's work often commenced before daybreak. He rose, lighted his petroleum stove and boiled his kettle while he had his bath. During breakfast he held literally a levee, as he left the door of the tomb open and received his Arab friends and the men or children as they passed on their way to their work. Sometimes, when excavations were going on, he had to go out before breakfast to set his men to work. When examining the interior of the Great Pyramid he always began in the evening, when tourists were gone, and worked till midnight, and occasionally until the following morning. At 6 or 7 in the evening he again lighted his stove, and sat down to reduce the observations he had made with his theodolite during the day. Dinner followed, cooking and feeding going on together. He found brown ship-biscuit, tinned soups, tomatoes, tapioca, and chocolate to be the most convenient and sustaining articles of food. He did not consider a heavy meal suitable after 10 hours' fast in the heat of the day, but it was impossible to move his instruments and stop his work for a midday meal. Finally he had to wash up his plates and dishes, as the Arab idea of cleanliness was not to be trusted, and he sat down again to reduce observations and write until midnight. From this summary it will be seen how seriously he set about his self-imposed task.

There can be no doubt that to many people all over the world—to many, indeed, who have no hope or intention of visiting Egypt—the small piece of desert plateau opposite the village of Gezeh, though less than half a mile across, is the most remarkable area of its size in the world. There may be seen the very beginnings of architecture, the most enormous piles of building ever raised, and, strange as it may seem, the most accurate workmanship, the most careful system of construction, the finest masonry, and the use of the most ingenious tools. The largest statue in the world, the Sphinx, is there; and there was found what all who have seen it acknowledge to be one of the most perfect combinations of technical skill and artistic expression in statuary which have ever been carved. The diorite statue of Khafra, the builder, as Mr. Petrie has at length conclusively proved, of the Second Pyramid, is now in the Boolak Museum, where it excites in the minds of those who know anything about sculpture the same kind of surprise as that excited by the vast masses of the pyramids themselves. The work Mr. Petrie has done will, we cannot doubt, be warmly welcomed by the reading public; and we call attention to it with the more pleasure because it tends to wipe off some of the recent reproach incurred by our nation in our neglect of Egyptology, and will do something at least to show that, when funds were gathered in England for scientific exploration, it was by no means necessary that their expenditure and the honour of possible discoveries should have been conferred upon a foreigner, however distinguished, in his native land.

This is how burglaries are got up. A series of burglaries having been investigated, it has been found that in each case one of the servants in the house at the time had received a character from what purported to be "her last place." This "place" was always the same; it was the house of a lady and gentleman who apparently lived in good style at the West-end, and whose names were in the Post Office Directory. The establishment was maintained solely for the purpose of planting an accomplice in likely houses. This accomplice—sometimes a sham footman, sometimes a sham housemaid, discovered the secrets of the establishment, found out the places where the plate and jewellery were kept, studied the habits of the family, and then gave notice and left. It was by this means the burglars were enabled to suit the best time for a raid, and go straight to the spot where their booty was kept. In some cases the accomplice was actually a member of the household at the time of the robbery, and made all the necessary arrangements—such as leaving the windows unfastened, giving a signal, and keeping the other servants out of the way. The whole plot is said to have been carried out with remarkable skill and ingenuity, and further details are anxiously awaited.

EXPLORATION OF NEW GUINEA.

(BY OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

II.

New Guinea has been described by explorers who have made superficial observations in different parts of the island as either a Garden of Eden or a huge mangrove swamp. The country I saw from the banks of the Lalokie and Goldie Rivers, however, does not fit in with these opposite theories. I noted a large extent of lightly timbered park lands, which were well grassed, though often carrying belts of scrub and jungle; and occasionally I came upon deep chocolate soil. The locality of the country I traversed will be best understood by a reference to the map of New Guinea. Port Moresby, where I landed, lies about the middle of the south-eastern peninsula, and on its western side. When I struck inland I took a north-easterly direction, designing to penetrate the central mass of the island by utilising, in the first instance, the old diggers' track along the Goldie. The narrow strip of land called the south-eastern peninsula has an average width of about 250 miles, but I was not destined to cross it or reach the great body of the island, which has a breadth of some 400 miles. However, I reached a point nearly midway between the eastern and western coasts of the peninsula, and saw enough to know that the country inland presents landscapes of great tropical beauty, with, in spite of coarse kangaroo grass and wattle and gum trees, abundance of diversified orchids, creepers and ferns, and gaudily-dressed insects and brightly-plumaged birds. On Friday, the 27th July, we started for the Lalokie. The day was sultry and unpleasant. We had made a late start, so the afternoon was advanced when, threading our way through the scrub, we emerged on the bank of the Lalokie. There was a freshet in the river, and it was much swollen. The discoloured water, sweeping past us in an angry torrent, bade us lose no time if we would cross that night; while overhead the murky sky, sombred by the dark low clouds, warned us that we should soon have to seek shelter from the rain, which we could see falling in torrents far up the river. The horses followed each other steadily across the ford, and after a struggle with the current reached the other side in safety, the water being just low enough to save them a dangerous swim. The width at the crossing was 80 yards, and full 100 yards of shingle. The opposite bank was composed of five feet of loose yielding sand, which gave no foothold to the horses, so we unpacked them, and carried up the loads and stacked them within 10 feet of the edge of the bank. Then we led up the horses, and made them fast to the trees. The boys put up a shelter of leaves over the goods, and made a small humpy a little distance away. Between, we lit a roaring fire, and calmly waited for the rain. It was not long in coming—a heavy, steady, tropical rain, which soaked through everything. The old digger sat on the packs, the black boys lay round the fire, and Lyons and I crouched under the humpy. Darkness came on. The falling rain drowned every sound but the roar of the river, as it rushed along with wild impetuosity. I tried to sleep, but in vain. The rain banished all thoughts of it, so I sat up till it stopped. When quiet came again I listened for the river, but instead of a noisy torrent there was the gentle murmur of an unruffled stream. The digger was the first to divine a reason. Going to the bank he called me to look. In front of us was a small patch of gravel, the height of the ground we were camped on. This was now an island—from bank to bank stretched one wide, unbroken sheet of water. Five feet of earth separated our goods from destruction. Sleep was now out of the question. There was a little gully right below our things into which the water had just risen. Between this gully and the wurley I wandered to and fro, watching with alarm the stream lapping the bank as it stealthily crept nearer and nearer to us. When it was within three feet, I fixed a stick at the water's edge and lay down to wait. The stillness was occasionally broken by the dull crash of a tree pitching heavily into the river. I waited 10 minutes, and examined the stick. In the short 10 minutes the river had risen 15 inches. It was time to rouse all hands. Lyons remembered that a short distance on the track there was a small patch of rising ground. It was now midnight. We began at once to shift the packs. A blind billabong runs between the Goldie and the Lalokie. Its bank was about three feet higher than where we were camped. This was the rising ground. We were carrying our second load when we felt the water trickling under our feet, and before we had finished it was a streamlet knee deep. As soon as we had fetched the loads we set to work to lead up the horses. In the dense shade of the river timber the fireflies flitted, spangling a darkness so great that it was useless trying to see the horses. We could only find them by feeling from tree to tree. We searched about till we had secured two of them; the others we left to take their chance. There was no fear now of the water reaching us till morning, and I lay down with my mind at ease, and slept till daybreak.

We were on the old camping ground of Goldie and his bird-collecting party, who found here every comfort for an out-of-door life—abundance of feed for their horses and a rich field for their guns. The river called after him runs at the other side of the jungle, and Mr. Goldie spent some months in forming an unusually complete and beautifully preserved collection of its fish. The horses are quite content to keep near the camp, as they are shut in on three sides by scrub, and on the fourth by grassy hills. In the first belt of scrub that runs into the main forest by the river is a chain of little water holes, and here the horses go to water.

We were very hungry on our arrival in camp, and the first thing we did after hobbling out the horses was to have something to eat. Then Varo, one of the New Guinea natives, and I went out for a walk, leaving the others to put things straight. We returned to find the snow-white tent and fly pitched, and alongside it the black boy's fly; while in front, some distance, a pole was stretched between two forks to support the saddles, which were covered with the saddle-cloths to protect them from the sun. Inside, the tent was a model of neatness. The goods, packed in canvas packbags, which had been made during our leisure at Lizard Island, were stacked at the head of the tent, the three swags were laid down, a stick split at the top to clasp a candle, was standing by our bagful of books. At the foot of the tent was our oilcloth tablecloth, with the plates, knives, forks and pannikins, the damper and salt beef and a bottle of Lea and Perrin. Lyons went out shooting, and by and bye appeared with two splendid Goura pigeons as fleshy as geese, that had fallen to his gun. They were soon plucked and cleaned, and having been cut in pieces and placed in water, with a little salt in it to thoroughly remove the blood, they were put in the billy and cooked into a delicious stew. Lyons and the digger were both admirable cooks, and made dampers and pies to perfection, baking them in a fryingpan covered with a prospecting dish. We strolled down to the river, Lyons taking with him a fishing-line, as he was sure there were fish to be caught. When we came out on to the river we found a wide stretch of gravel, the Goldie being a swift but narrow stream by the other bank, and there the forest was festooned in the most beautiful luxuriance. Whilst Lyons is fishing I am awakened from a reverie by a musical cooing note which is wafted down to me from so far away that it seems in the skies. I get up quietly and step noiselessly about on tiptoe until I can get a clear sight through the branches of the noble bird that is breathing so peacefully. It is a crested Goura pigeon, the delicate lilac of whose plumage contrasts with the deep green foliage of the tree it is resting on. It does not stay long. It is calling to its mate, and flies away as soon as it hears her answering cry.

Far different is the sound that now breaks the silence. It is the distant grunting of a pig, and it is coming this way. I conceal myself and watch, and shortly there comes in view a full-sized boar, his tusks discernible even thus far off. He is travelling to his feeding ground with his sow and three young pigs, and passes so close as to offend my nostrils with his rank smell, and make me regret that I had not brought my rifle. All the pigs have their coats streaked with dirty white, the little ones the more clearly. When they have passed I hurry to the camp for my rifle, but, though I follow the grunting until I am within shot, my quarry sees me long before I can catch a glimpse of them, and my trouble is fruitless. I returned to the tent, and a little later Lyons came in, his patience having been rewarded with a large catfish, which he had caught with a piece of the inside of the pigeon.

I have as yet only spoken generally of "our goods," and given the reader no idea of what these goods might be. For rations we had tea in little 5lb. boxes, some abominable Melbourne coffee, white sugar, flour, soda and acid, salt meat, oatmeal, a little cornflour (it should have been called bran), dried apples, a mat of rice, a few pounds of preserved potatoes, and a few extras such as jam, mustard, pepper, Lea and Perrin, a side of bacon, a few tins of Huntley and Palmer's biscuits, a little preserved milk, and half a dozen tins of extract of meat. Our six bottles of castor oil had been packed in the same box with the more dainty of our stores, and of course one of the bottles had broken and the oil soaked into the oatmeal. For trading with the natives we had brought tobacco—real good American tobacco, running twelve cakes to the pound, and bought in bond for 1s. 2d. the pound; also tomahawks, no one of which is recorded to have survived a morning's work. Their cost was 10s. the dozen, and they did not seem to be appreciated by the civilised coast natives. We had, too, knives of varied excellence (the majority having been purchased for 4s. 6d. a dozen), and red, white, and blue beads; but the natives value red far higher than any other colour. We had Turkey red and gaudy handkerchiefs, also nicknacks, such as mouth harmonicons, jews'-harps, dog whistles, looking glasses, and magnificent gilt framed mirrors, which involved the lavish outlay of 5s. for each gross. Then there were tools, picks and shovels, and prospecting dishes, billies, tin plates, pannikins and frying pans, axes and billhooks, and scrub knives, files, fishing lines and fishhooks, ropes, palm needles and twine, silk fishing lines, with which to mend the harness (purchased in port), matches, and in case they should be destroyed, magnifying glasses, pipes and tobacco, a few candles, and some soap. We had each waterproof sheeting, a blanket and mosquito curtain, and there were plenty of rough spare clothes and boots. My medicine chest, made up for me by Mr. Owen, of Bull and Owen, the chemists in Geelong, was a marvel of compactness. It contained just those medicines that might be needed in the tropics, a pocket case of instruments, delicate scales, a tourniquet, vaseline, ice cream for the complexion, little tins of Basilicon zinc and mercurial ointment, lint, sticking-plaster, and bandages. On Mr. Owen's advice I had furnished myself with a small galvanic battery, with which I wrung many a groan from the New Guinea Mayalls. Our firearms consisted of two double-barrelled guns, two common Snider rifles, one Winchester repeating rifle with magazine for nine cartridges, one Webber self-acting revolver, and a Colt's revolver. To show how badly chosen these weapons were, and how ill-adapted for the work they had to do, it is only necessary to mention that at the end of the trip the Webber revolver was the only one that could be called thoroughly effective. We had 2000 rounds of cartridges done up in ten boxes, weighing from 40 to 50 lb. each. Half of the cartridges were for the gun, 500 for the Sniders, 350 for the Winchester, and 150 for the revolver. The worst investment made was the tent, which I bought from a large firm of sailmakers in Melbourne. In a few weeks it was the colour of a coalsack and quite rotten, while the fly, made of thicker material, was untarnished.

Next day, keeping in an east north-easterly direction, we passed through well grassed country, traversed by belts of scrub running from the hills on our left to the river jungle on our right. The belts made a succession of grassy pockets. The jungle on our right gradually receded to the east, sweeping round the rising ground that we were now walking over. From a bald ridge we obtain a fine view of the Astrolabe Hills with their thick growth of timber. Then we descend again into a wide belt of scrub, and going up another rise we see the river below us about a mile and a half distant. It has made a wide detour, and was running at right angles to its former course. Seen from this elevation, the spreading foliage of the splendid cedars on its margin is extremely beautiful. The track wound round the side of a bald hill, and shortly became rough and stony. We had often remarked the extraordinary absence of stones from the path between here and Port Moresby. To this point one could walk barefooted without much discomfort. Then we turned down a low spur to the river, and on the edge of timber came unexpectedly on a native house. This was evidently used as a place of shelter by the natives when returning wearied from their kangaroo hunting. Outside was a layer of stones, such as one frequently sees near the native paths, used in the roasting of their favourite food. The little house was most neatly thatched with grass. It was about 6 feet high, the roof sloping to within 2 feet of the ground. Hanging up under the roof was a bran new net of the kind that plays such an important part in their hunting, and on racks was a whole collection of well-finished spears. Thinking that the track would cross the river here, and perhaps might take a short cut behind the hills in front of us to a point much higher up the Goldie, I crossed the river, and compelled Varo to accompany me, much to his disgust. The river here takes one of its sudden bends. I started to climb a little hill that seemed but a stone's-throw away, but whose base was concealed by the underwood. To my surprise, the hill was on the other side of the river. The Goldie is here a powerful current, waist deep, and abounds in mullet and bream. The other bank is low and swampy. Then there is the deep chocolate soil with its tropical growth of timber, from which we emerged into long coarse grass that reached over our heads. It was hard work forcing a way through the grass, as we could discover no track. However, we pushed on, as there was a hill close in front about 1000 feet in height, which promised a splendid view.

We toiled in a broiling sun up to the top and sat down to rest. Evidently the track did not cross the river, for on this side the grass was long and rank, the gullies deep and often with water in them, and the jungle in patches almost impenetrable. On the side of the river we had left, the hills and spurs running down from them were clothed with a short grass, kept down by hundreds of kangaroos, while in no place that the eye could reach was the rise or fall of the ground too abrupt for packhorses. From our position on the top of the hill we could see right over the country we had passed through to the south-west, its general flatness and the lowness of its hills contrasting with the forest-clad rugged range that forms its eastern rampart. The Astrolabe Hills, the home of the Koiarri, have often been written about. Their most inland point, Mount Vathoura, a curious, conical-shaped mountain, stands out with great prominence. An excellent illustration of this hill may be seen in Stone's book on Port Moresby. On an off-lying spur of these Astrolabe Mountains we had seen high up near the top some tiny coloured spots, which had made us wonder what they were. We now found that these marks were part of a native village of the Koiarri people, and that some of the houses were built, as is their custom, high up in the branches of the trees. Varo, the native, was most impatient to return. On our way back I tried hard to bag a kangaroo, but though I wearied myself in stalking up to within easy distance of several, my aim was so unsteady that after every shot the kangaroo quietly hopped away. There was no other game visible but kangaroo, though we saw abundant traces of pigs. In the river there were a few shags, exactly like the shags you see on the Yarra, but no duck or wild fowl of any sort. There were a few cockatoos, parrots, and pigeons, but not a single bird to arrest one's attention by its extraordinary plumage.

During my absence from camp the men had all been after a missing horse, and had failed to find it. Next day I had to go out alone. Varo, one of the New Guinea natives, would not come with me. He had work to do in Port Moresby, so I gave him a letter and told him that he would receive an adze as payment for his services. He was so pleased that he offered to rub noses, but I liked our way of shaking hands best. His leave-taking with the black boys was most hearty. They afterwards had to connect his departure with the disappearance of their mouth-harmonicons, Jews' harps and tobacco, and a bright coloured shirt that had been given to Dick. Varo had slept in the tent with Dick and Bosen, and no doubt he thought that their poor brains were not equal to the proper enjoyment of such things. He was an admirable fellow, this Varo; nothing could exceed his coolness; call him a man of the world, and the term would not be a misapplication. In person he was tall, lithe, sinewy, and active; his face was clean shaved, and his short thick hair was shaved back from the forehead. A native scrapes the hair off with a sharpened shell, and as he has no means of shortening the hair if he thinks it too long, his only alternative is to remove it altogether. Later on Lyons saw Varo at the Lalokie, getting ready to swim the river, which had fallen considerably, though it was still flooded. He crossed with great ease and was soon concealed by the forest.

I only carried a revolver and a telescope, and I had one of the most desperately hard day's work in my recollection. I crossed the river a second time, and fought my way through dense undergrowth to a nice open glade, where I felt sure I should find some traces of the natives or of the bird shooters. And I did pick up a path which brought me through the rank grass to the river, and was evidently trodden by natives going up to the villages in the hills. The river was easily forded, being broad and shallow. At the other side I struck another track, which proved to be the one we afterwards followed with the packhorses. There was a hill opposite here which came steeply to the bank of the river, and another on this side, which also blocked the way, but a ford in the stream fortunately let one cross from level ground on the right to almost equally level ground on the left bank. I turned back as soon as I had satisfactorily determined the practicability of the ford and found that there would be a nice travelling road for the horses. As I was strolling quietly along, I heard a noise in the distance, and, looking in the direction from which it came, I saw a number of natives running about the hill slopes. I at once made for them. One was nearer than the rest. He had no sooner seen me than he rushed to the rejoin his companions. They all seemed to have a disposition to fly, but I made pacific signs, and they came timidly nearer. Then five or six of the bolder ones came forward to me and the rest soon followed. They had been kangaroo hunting and with considerable success. Every fourth man carried a dead kangaroo. All had spears, and some the strong, admirably made kangaroo nets. The men were very dirty, a characteristic of the Koiarri. Their colour was much darker than the Port Moresby people, and each had his abundant hair concealed by native cloth, the art of making which has, I understand, been lost by the coast natives. Each of these men was of diminutive stature, or had some physical defect. All talked with terrific volubility, gesticulating violently, fancying, no doubt, that the quicker they talked the more likely I was to pick up their language. The expression on their faces was by no means pleasing, but they were all perfectly friendly. I was as safe among them without any arms as I would be among the Motu people. All remembered Mr. Goldie, who has had an uncommon influence for good over all natives among whom his lot has at any time been thrown. I have heard the Rev. Mr. Lawes say that one may go in perfect safety wherever Goldie's name is known to the natives. And here I had an instance of the good feeling borne by these men to Mr. Goldie: for whereas at first they would not come to me, I but mentioned his name and pointed to the camp, when half a dozen of the men made ready to accompany me. We started, a little terrier named Toby trotting at my heels, and the six natives filing half in front, half behind me. But the dog got fidgety at something, to the evident terror of the barelegged savages, who made me understand that they were afraid to go further. I had, therefore, to carry the dog. On reaching a slight elevation they stopped me to point out their village on the hill. I drew out my telescope to have a closer look, but the natives showed such anxiety that I closed it again. Another time I had difficulty in preventing them turning tail, because they saw the footprints of our black boys in the sand by the waterhole where the horses drank, and could hardly be persuaded that Motu people were not with us. Before reaching camp they hid their spears under some shrubs, that they might not offend us by coming in armed. We gave them some salt, which they swallowed with avidity. Salt is the best article of barter for all inland tribes. We promised them more if they would bring to our next camp yams, taro, and sugar cane. We explained that the horses—borroma, as they are termed by the natives, that being the name of the pig, the largest animal they had previously seen—would next day be going in the direction of their village. The natives did not stay long, as it was getting late.

Having had a great deal of trouble with the digger, I told him on the following morning that he might make up his swag and clear off to Port. He said that he would look after the camp that day, while Lyons and I packed the most of the things to the next camp, for we had always to make two shifts with our goods. We loaded up the horses, and had a quiet, and to me light-hearted, journey to the ford in the river. Before crossing we tied up the horses, and leaving Dick to cook a pigeon we had shot, Lyons and I walked on to find a camp. A nasty sandy bank at the other side of the river would be a severe trial for the horses' strength, but we had no time to avoid it. A few strokes of the tomahawk widened the road through the scrub sufficiently for the horses. Then we were out in the long grass, and were walking unsuspiciously along when we nearly fell into a deep gully that ran across the path, and was almost completely hidden. We had to clear the grass away that the horses might see it. Going now up the hill, the track became a narrowed siding a few inches wide, which only horses used to climbing, like ours, could venture to take. In one place there was a gully cut deep into the hill, and round the head of it the horses would have to go. In the narrowest part the stepping was dangerous for a man on foot, for a tree had thrown its roots across the path, and you had to step across them on to badly-secured stones. A false step here would throw you perpendicularly a dozen feet on to a steep slope, down which you would roll into the river. This was the greatest difficulty. Shortly the track crossed a narrow scrubby ravine, and then went up into rising ground. Here were the remains of an old village. The six houses were in every stage of decay. All had fallen down but one, and it would do to stack the goods under. Water was in a gully close by. The river was just below, so we decided to camp here.

We returned to the river crossing without delay, as the sun was getting low, and the pigeon would be cooked. From this crossing the bald rocky cone round which the track runs bears N.W. by W., its summit being within half a mile. From a mile E.N.E. of our first camp, this hill bears N.E. by E., and is about four miles distant. The aneroid made the height of the coast hill behind Port Moresby to be 500 feet, the highest point between it and the Lalokie 400 feet, the crossing of the Lalokie 150 feet, our first camp, 175 feet, the first crossing of the Goldie 280 feet, and our second camp 375 feet. We got the horses across the river and up the bank without any difficulty, but at the gully two refused to jump, and bolting into long grass, into which it was almost hopeless to attempt to follow them, gave us great trouble. We crowded them over at last, and then all followed one another cautiously round the hill. The Goldie at the ford runs north and south. Its tortuous course then bends to every point of the compass. It was under us all the way. The water is very clear, and large numbers of fish could be seen swimming about in it. I was first, leading a horse, and on reaching camp I caught each horse as it came up and slung off its packs. I had finished all but one before Lyons turned up. He had been leading the oldest mare of all, and at the dangerous gully she had tripped in the roots and fallen with a horrible crash to the bottom of the gully, and then rolled over and over till stopped by the saplings. He had tried to get her up, but she lay as if dead, so he left her and came on. We soon had a fire, and while supper was being cooked we made fast the halters of the horses and stowed the goods under the raised floor of the house. To another house we tied a young horse. Something frightened it into jerking back its head, and the motion pulled the house almost on top of it.

The country travelled through from last camp may be described as thinly wooded or bald hills, with belts of scrub running down from the glens, forming pockets of long rank grass. There is magnificent chocolate soil on the low flats by the river which would grow anything. I slept on the raised bamboo floor of the best house, as the ground was covered with a low shrub—a mass of small tenacious burrs, which would cling to my blanket even more readily than they did to my clothes. When Lyons turned in beside me the frail tenement waved backwards and forwards like a reed, but it held up for the night, and that was the main point. The following morning we rose early. Five of the horses were missing, but we found them at the river. We were at the tent by 10 o'clock, and then we prepared to take on the remainder of the things. The digger was quite cowed. He begged me to let him come on, and pleaded so piteously that I could not refuse him. We were shorthanded enough with three white men—what would have been our difficulties with only two? We were at our camp before nightfall. Next day I went up to the village to buy some food. It was a very steep climb of 1200 feet, through dense timber, by a track which had been blazed all the way as if by white men. You cannot see the village till quite close. It is built on a razor-backed spur, with a deep valley yawning on each side, and it is protected from approach above and below by a very high fence. I called out as I came to the fence, and two men answered me. They had watched me from one of the houses in the trees.

The two men were in charge of the village, an old toothless woman, who was cooking some taro, and two or three boys, being the only other occupants. Of the eight houses in the village, three were in the branches of the trees. Two of these were in trees 60 feet high, which projected from the side of the spur, so that a fall from them would hurl you to the bottom of a deep ravine. The other was in a more lofty tree, but the position was safer. I climbed up the ladder cautiously, for the rungs were three feet apart, and did not strike me with a sense of their security. I went right into the house, but I did not feel comfortable with only a delicate cane floor between me and the earth. There was a second floor about three feet above this one, and midway between it and the commencement of the roof. This second story, entered by an opening just large enough to admit a man's body, was the refuge in case of danger. It was well supplied with yams. There was a fireplace, and I noticed pieces of the particular wood used in procuring fire. A tomtom, which gives out a sound that can be heard an incredible distance, was hanging at the side. There were shields in the corner, and overhead was a large collection of spears. Nor had they forgotten the inevitable bopo. The house was made of bamboo in all but the corner posts and a few stronger beams. The roof was neatly thatched, and no doubt the house was as substantial and safe as those on the ground. These were also made in most parts of split bamboo, and were raised, as are all houses of the Koiarri, some feet above ground.

The village is 1425 feet above sea level, and is due east from the hill that I before used in taking the bearings. From it you could see away to the north of west over the intervening hills an apparently immense tract of level country, with a hill a prominent landmark at its farthest end. Using the telescope there appeared to be open flats interspersed with timber. I succeeded in buying a number of yams, taro, sugar-cane and pumpkins, and everyone in the village came down with me to the camp. On our way we passed their gardens. These are on the high hill slopes. We never saw any but on elevated ground, which shows I presume that the soil in such places is better adapted for the growth of their produce than the lower flats. We paid for the taro and pumpkins with a few pinches of salt. Later on the bulk of the male population of the village, who had been out hunting, called in to see us. Most of the Koiarri men had their faces reddened with ochre: some were bearded. All had native cloth over their hair, and a band of dog teeth or kangaroo teeth to keep it in position. One dandy had above his forehead little triangular pieces of reddish shell kept in place by a wisp of hair being passed through the hole in the centre. The female dress was the same as in Port Moresby, and so were the neat bandages worn on the upper arm or ankle. The men knit these with a piece of bone ground into the shape of a bodkin, from grass torn into delicate strips. The Koiarri have only two numerals—*igou*, one, and *abute* two—whereas the Motu people count up to 100,000. The Koiarra grow tobacco, the Motu do not. The Motu make pottery, but the Koiarri have either lost or not yet attained this art. It was a pity we could not speak the language. In Port Moresby the key sentence to all information is *Inae ladinadaka*? —(What is the name of this?), but we did not know its corresponding sentence in the hill language. These men had a few words of Motu at their command. Thus, when they wanted us to stay with them, as it would be to our mutual advantage, they said something like *Lyide Raraia manu, momo, makanni momo, borroma*, &c., suiting their language to our limited knowledge. By this we should know that plenty (pigeons (*manu*), kangaroo (*makanni*) and pigs (*borroma*) were to be shot hereabouts. We should have the sport and they would have the flesh. The men soon left us, but not before we had tried by gestures to explain that we should like them to come back in the morning and help to carry our things over the hills and down the spur to a camping ground. They seemed to know exactly what we required, so we gave out a little salt and the natives departed. I went with one and climbed with him to the top of the hill behind the village, a height of 1650 feet. He left me, and I essayed to reach the camp quickly by a straight cut. Thus I had nearly to spend the night out, for I became entangled in a fearful ravine, from which I had to cut my way out with a sheath knife. My face and hands were all scratched, my clothes and hat were torn to tatters, and I reached home thoroughly exhausted. The natives disappointed us. Not one turned up at the time expected, and when I went to the village I found it apparently deserted. After I had cooed a while a man emerged from the house I had climbed up to, but nothing would induce him to come down. We had to give up the hope of getting assistance from these men.

While Lyons and I packed eight horses, Ned, the digger, went on ahead with pick and shovel to improve the pathway. The horses had a bad track before them. There were rocky and steep blind creeks to be crossed, and sidings to be taken where a slip meant a terrible fall. And in these sidings the earth was soft and yielding, and hardly justified our chancing a success. The horses came along the greater part of the two miles without an accident. But at the last gully the horse that carried the cartridges in struggling up the steep bank strained its wretched harness so severely that the breeching girth and surcingle snapped simultaneously, and the load fell to the ground. We left it where it lay. There was greater trouble ahead of us. Here was a siding half a mile long in places, with great trunks of trees fallen across it, and everywhere as rotten as could be. I led a young horse first, and brought it round this desperate place to within a few yards of safety. But only a few of the horses were following. I called Bosen, and gave him the leading rein, and went back to see what was the matter. A billy lying in the track made me stop, for beside it were all the evidences of a tumble. I called out for Lyons, and a voice answered from the depths below, but nothing could be seen. I sat on the soft earth and slid down to where I had heard the voice, and there was my friend sitting down, quite done up, with a horse lying below him apparently at its last gasp. Two horses had fallen at the same place. There was no footpath, and they had rolled over and over until they had crashed up against the timber. They had sunk right out of sight, and it seemed impossible that they could be still alive. Lyons, without loss of time, went down and loosened the packs, and after a spell both horses struggled on to a spur bruised and bleeding. Just at this time I heard native voices—a perfect godsend—and hurried up the hill to get their assistance. They set heartily to work, and clambering about the slippery slopes like Klipspringers, soon had all the packs neatly piled on the spur where the bad siding ended. They seemed in no way frightened of the horses, but the little foal set the whole body of them to their heels, and bolting for the nearest trees they would not recommence work until we had tied up the foal. Our other horses that had not fallen down the hill (one that did fall, I am sorry to say, never rose again) we unpacked, and the natives carried the loads to the general heap. By this heap we decided to camp. The black boys got us water, and we paid the natives. We had a rough tea, and then lay down to a much-needed rest.

At early dawn we were roused by the talking of the natives and the boom of the tomtoms, for the village was right opposite to us, and in the clear mountain air the sounds came across to us with perfect distinctness. We had hardly finished breakfast when the natives commenced to drop in, allured by the promise of a handsome present to each one who would carry a pack from the old village to our new camp. Lyons and I went through with the natives to give them our goods, which, divided among so many, were soon conveyed to where we slept the previous night.

SENOR CASTELAR AND THE IRISH ASSASSINS.—The Madrid correspondent of the *Times* says:—"In a review of European politics by Senor Castelar, published on November 4, the following passages referring to Ireland and Carey's death occur:—'No one is ignorant that the assassins of Cavendish would never have been discovered but for the infamous denunciation made by one Carey, who from accomplice and accused became Crown witness or accuser—and paid accuser. Such treason brought to the scaffold various patriots, who are to-day adored as saints and martyrs by the simple faith of a people determined to recover their country's ancient independence. And if the people adore as saints these martyrs, imagine how they must abhor the denouncer!' After stating that all the might of England failed to protect Carey from the execution of the verdict of the Irish nation, Senor Castelar continues:—'On the morning when the criminal was least prepared the executioner shot him dead—an exceptional punishment of an exceptional crime. A race of such determination, we must admit, is invincible.' Carried away by passion in one of his bursts of oratory, some excuse might possibly be found for this language of Senor Castelar. But that this statesman, who has always boasted of the peaceful championship of his principles, should pen and print such a defence of the dastardly murders of Lord F. Cavendish and Mr. Burke will cause a deep feeling of surprise and regret among his many admirers throughout the civilised world. For Senor Castelar the Irish are a nation of Maccabees, and by inference England is an Antiochus Epiphanes."

ROTUMA AND THE FIJI GOVERNMENT.

In a recent issue of this journal there appeared "an extraordinary statement in reference to the Government of the island of Rotuma," extracted from the *Fiji Times* of November 24th. A number of young men engaged as sailors and divers in the Torres Straits pearl-shell fisheries returned home to visit their friends, and as a matter of course to distribute amongst them some of the money which they had earned whilst away from home. These men spoke English, we are told, wore European costumes, had money in their pockets, and had left more behind them in the savings bank, so that they might fairly claim to be civilised. After their visit home they were anxious to return to their occupation in these colonies, but were refused permission to do so, and have since been detained, we presume by the orders of the British Resident Commissioner. We are not told whether the young men are simply detained until they have paid the current taxes, or are absolutely prevented from leaving the island. If the former is the case there can be no reasonable objection made to such a decision. The case of Rotuma, however, is both interesting and suggestive. It is a small island only a few miles in length, with some small outlying islets quite near to it. It is very fertile, and has always been regarded as the garden of the Pacific. The inhabitants are Polynesians, and are closely related to the Samoans. Some few years ago the chiefs presented a request to Sir A. Gordon for annexation to the colony of Fiji. It is generally considered that they were encouraged in this step by the well-known desire of the Governor that they should do so, and probably by the hope that their own positions as chiefs would be much improved. Be that as it may, the Rotumans of to-day find themselves in the position of those who marry in haste and repent at leisure. They have a British Resident, and they have to pay for the blessing. In old days they could buy a stick of tobacco in Rotuma cheaper by far than they could do so in Sydney, but to their surprise and disgust they find that annexation to Fiji means Customs duties and dear tobacco. In former days they could go and come as they pleased, or at all events they had simply to propitiate their respective chiefs by a small present, and they were free to go; but to-day they are reminded that they are subjects of a great empire, and that their personal liberty must be restrained in the interests of the Crown colony of which they form a part. They did not at first realise that the favourable consideration which was shown to their request for annexation was largely attributable to the fact that Rotuma could probably be made to contribute to the revenues of Fiji, and now, when the fact is apparent to them, they are not so grateful for the privilege as they perhaps ought to be. The Rotumans are eagerly sought after as sailors. They may be found almost any day amongst the men in the different shipping offices in these colonies, and are often readily engaged at the full wages for able seamen. They know well the value of their services, and we may easily imagine that men who have been earning £5 per month, with good food supplied by their employers, naturally object to being compelled to make copra for the Government for nothing, and to eat their own yams and bananas whilst they are so engaged, especially when they do not wish to reside on the island. It must, however, be remembered that the continued exodus of the young men from their native land has long been felt to be a serious evil, and it will be well to await the answer of the Fijian Government to the demand which is being made. There is much to be said in favour of the retention of the young men on their own island, though it is very difficult to point out a remedy which will be at once effectual, and which at the same time will not infringe upon their rights as British subjects. It is a serious matter indeed when such a large proportion of the strong able-bodied men is drained away from such a small population, and it is not difficult to predict what the end must be. As a matter of fact it was felt by the chiefs and people themselves to be an evil which they would gladly have prevented if they had been able to do so long before the annexation of the island. There is, however, another matter about which Fiji merchants do not apparently complain, but which must surely act prejudicially to shipping interests in these colonies; and it is rather astonishing that our Chamber of Commerce has never protested against it. Rotuma has not been declared as a port of entry, and consequently any vessel from Sydney or any other port having cargo on board for that island must first proceed to Fiji and "enter in" before she can land anything on the island. Samoa, for instance, is 600 miles east of Rotuma, and the wind is consequently favourable at most seasons for any vessel proceeding to the latter place; and yet a Sydney trader having a box of tobacco or any other cargo on board is compelled to run to leeward for nearly the same distance of 600 miles, to navigate his vessel through a dangerous group, incur all the expenses of pilotage, harbour and Customs dues, and has then to beat his ship almost due north for 300 miles before he dare land his freight or "trade" at Rotuma, though there is a deputy-commissioner always resident there. If the annexation of the different groups in the South Seas necessarily involved such regulations as these, we might find that some kind of protectorate would be more advantageous, so far as the commercial interests of these colonies is concerned.

CARPE DIEM.

THE LATE MR. MOSES MOSS.

By the death of Mr. Moses Moss a well-known figure in commercial circles, has been removed, and the Jewish community of Sydney suffers the loss of a member who ever took a prominent and active part in all its religious and social movements. It is about 43 years since the deceased gentleman landed in the colonies, and the first portion of his colonial life was spent in Launceston, where he entered upon the business of a general merchant. After a residence there of several years he returned to London, but again embarked for Australia, and in 1851 settled in Sydney, since which time he conducted his business as a general merchant in our midst. For many years he was treasurer and president to the Jewish congregation, and was a member of nearly all the Jewish associations, and also cooperated heartily with his many Christian friends in their works of charity and philanthropy. For about 20 years he was a member of the commission of the peace. He was interested in many commercial enterprises, being for a short time a director of the Australian Joint Stock Bank. As a citizen he was highly esteemed, and bore with him through life a spirit of peace and a love of goodwill that was manifested in acts which sought to rob opposing elements of their antagonism, and promote harmony and concord in the daily lives of men. He was seized with an epileptic fit, and, after lingering in pain for three weeks, expired on Thursday at his residence, No. 135, Macquarie-street. He was aged 64 years, and leaves a widow, six sons, and five daughters. Yesterday afternoon the body of the deceased gentleman was buried at the Rookwood Cemetery. The funeral was attended by, besides the relatives of the deceased, a very large number of prominent Jewish and Christian citizens, among many others present being the Hons. L. W. Levy, S. A. Joseph, and H. E. Cohen, Messrs. Burton Bradley, S. Hoffnung, D. Marks, M. Gotthelf, Louis Phillips, Charles Tennant, M. Baar, G. J. Cohen, N. S. Cohen, M. Meyerfeld, L. D. Phillips, and all the employees of the firm. The service for the dead was conducted by the Rev. A. B. Davis, assisted by the Revs. A. D. Wolinski and Phillipstein. The Rev. A. B. Davis delivered an address, in the course of which, after referring to the religious aspirations of the deceased, his death, and the devotion shown to him during his illness by his relatives and friends, he said, "He was for many years chief warden and treasurer of the Synagogue, and would willingly have served it in any capacity in which the suffrages of its members would have placed him. He was a liberal contributor to its funds, and would have served it day and night. This is too well known, and I hope acknowledged, than to require more than passing mention. He was a member for years of the committee of the Philanthropical Society, and was also associated with the day and sabbath schools, and also, so far as I can remember, was on the committees of the Randwick and Benevolent Asylums, and I may say in all sincerity that no appeal was ever made to him but met with a ready response; indeed, he was never to my knowledge known to refuse a subscription to any worthy object, irrespective of creed or opinion. He was also enamoured of peace—a disciple of Aaron—and endeavoured, by his advice and earnest efforts, to cement and promote good feeling. He was a good and indulgent husband, an affectionate and tender father, a fast and faithful friend, an excellent citizen and kind master; to sum up all, a lover of mankind, and what more can be said of any one who lived so many years?"

Many of the Catholic laity are chafing under the disabilities under which they are now placed. They cannot send their sons to Oxford or to Cambridge, at all events, without incurring ecclesiastical displeasure, and just now they are asking very strongly the reason why. The echoes of these complaints have reached the Papal Court, and, as Cardinal Manning is still unrelenting, he goes to Rome to place his views of the subject before his superiors. There is a general impression that he will not prevail, and that the establishment of a Roman Catholic College at Oxford is a matter of months rather than years.

EXPLORATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

(*From the Brisbane Courier.*)

Mr. W. J. O'Donnell, the leader of the party which has just explored a large tract of country in Western Australia, was, with several members of his expedition, a passenger by the steamer Tannadice, which called into Moreton Bay on Friday, on his way from Port Darwin to Melbourne. Mr. O'Donnell's party was sent out by a Melbourne syndicate to examine and report upon 2,000,000 acres of land which they hold in Western Australia, and to explore other country in its vicinity. The party consisted of Mr. O'Donnell, leader; Mr. Carr-Boyd, second in command; Mr. A. J. Wells, scientific observer; and Messrs. Lennecre, O'Malley, and Wall. The particulars of their trip from Port Darwin as far as the Ord River have already been published, and from Mr. O'Donnell we have learned a few interesting facts concerning their subsequent explorations.

It was originally intended that the party should be absent four months, but they have been away six months, and Mr. O'Donnell accounts for the delay in a way that shows it to have been owing to no fault of his. In the first place, he says that he asked for 30 horses for the expedition; but that at a meeting of the party in his absence, before starting, Mr. Carr-Boyd stated that 23 would be sufficient, and only that number were purchased. From Port Darwin to the Ord River, near the border of South Australia and Western Australia, the party travelled at the rate of about 13 miles a-day. On arrival there the horses were in such poor condition that Mr. O'Donnell deemed it necessary to spell them for two or three weeks before proceeding with them into the interior. Not wishing to remain idle, he formed a party, consisting of himself and Messrs. Lennecre and Wall, with four of the freshest horses, for the purpose of tracing the course of the Ord River from its junction with the Nagri to Cambridge Gulf, the distance to the mouth of the river being shown on the map as 80 miles. Only 12 days' provisions were taken. On following it down, however, it was found that the course of the river was quite different from that shown, that it ran into the Northern Territory and back into Western Australia, and that the distance which had to be travelled before Cambridge Gulf was reached was 200 instead of 80 miles. Being anxious to prove the nature of the country between the gulf and the Ord, by way of Mount Cockburn, Mr. O'Donnell determined to take that route on his return journey. After leaving Mount Cockburn, the country became extremely rough and mountainous—so much so that the party often made no more than four miles a day, and frequently had to almost retrace their steps. The result was that they were absent from their depot camp four weeks, instead of the 12 days they had provided for. In consequence of the extra length of the portion of the river traced by the party, their rations ran out before they arrived at Cambridge Gulf, and during the rest of the trip they had to subsist on whatever they could kill. They eventually struck the Ord on their return 40 miles below their camp, the rough nature of the country preventing their taking a more direct route. Mr. O'Donnell and his two comrades were then in a very weak state; and the two latter being unable to travel further, the leader took the freshest horse and started for the camp to obtain provisions and assistance. Accordingly he left Lennecre and Wall at 5 o'clock one morning, expecting to reach the place where the rest of the party were camped the same day. After going about 20 miles, however, the mare he was riding knocked up, and as he could not afford to lose her he dismounted, and fairly dragged her along by the bridle. Mr. O'Donnell remembers before nightfall reaching a waterhole, but here he appears to have fallen down in a fainting condition. The next thing he recollects was coming to at 5 o'clock the next morning, his jaded horse standing close beside him. He was then 10 miles from the camp, and, making a last effort, and still pulling his horse after him, he pushed on. It took him from 5 a.m. till 3 in the afternoon to cover that 10 miles, and when he arrived at the camp he was in a terribly exhausted state, having had nothing to eat since leaving Lennecre and Wall, at 5 o'clock the previous morning. Assistance was of course immediately sent to the other two men, who afterwards got safely into the camp, but two of the horses died.

Four days later the expedition made a start to explore the western country. Owing to the mountainous nature of the country it was again necessary to again follow the Ord River down some 30 or 40 miles before making any westing. About 20 miles to the west of the river the party again got into rough country, similar to that met with near Cambridge Gulf. The consequence was that the horses were terribly cut up, and the rate of progress was very slow. They finally found a good route over the ranges, and some 40 miles from the Ord River, in a direct line, they came upon a large stretch of magnificent pastoral country, well watered by rivers, creeks, and springs. One river Mr. O'Donnell named the Wilson, after Mr. John Wilson, of Maradinen, New South Wales, and brother of Mr. Robert Wilson, of Brisbane. The expedition also discovered the head waters of the Ord, Margaret, and Fitzroy Rivers. The country is described as very similar to the downs of the Thomson and Barcoo, Queensland, and as suitable for any kind of stock. The party could find on it no poison plant or injurious grass seeds, while native dogs were very scarce. The climate is mild, warm days and cool nights having been experienced by the party, and Mr. O'Donnell predicts that this portion of Western Australia will become a great sheep-growing country.

Mr. O'Donnell states that when on the Margaret Waters, Mr. Carr-Boyd, without his authority, left the party with the intention of returning by way of Roebuck Bay, on the west coast of Australia. He was supplied with provisions and a black boy, but eight days after leaving the party he returned in a starving condition. From that time Mr. O'Donnell no longer recognised him as a member of the expedition.

The party returned to the Ord by a different track to that followed on the outward journey, striking that river near Forrest's 152 Camp. They followed the river down a few miles, and then struck across country, and, cutting the Nagri, proceeded nearly on their outward track to Delemere station, in the Northern Territory, whence they had taken their departure. This station was reached on the 25th September, just about six months after they had left it. When within 10 miles of Delemere Mr. O'Donnell determined to go ahead of the remainder of the party, telling them that they could arrive at a certain hour the following day, and that he would then have food ready for them. They followed his instructions, and arrived at the station as arranged.

In a paragraph in the Brisbane Courier of the 10th instant, and afterwards copied by us, it was stated, on the authority of Mr. Carr-Boyd, that the "party were nine days completely out of all reckoning, and that it was only by a miracle they reached Delemere station." To this statement Mr. O'Donnell and the other members of the expedition on the Tannadice—namely, Messrs. Wells, Lennecre, and Wall—give a most emphatic denial. Mr. O'Donnell says they were never nine hours out of their reckoning, while he and the other members mentioned state that they were following their outward track to the outside station, while the fact that Mr. O'Donnell made the arrangement referred to about his going ahead is pointed to as proof that they knew exactly where they were and when they would reach the station.

The expedition subsequently arrived safely at Port Darwin. Mr. Carr-Boyd and Mr. O'Malley came on from there in advance, the others remaining behind to sell the horses, &c. Mr. O'Donnell and Mr. Lennecre are still suffering from fever and ague, but expect to be well in a short time. Although the party have suffered a good deal of hardship and had many difficulties to contend with, they have been thoroughly successful in attaining the objects they had in view.

RED RAIN.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Many of your readers will remember the red rain which fell on the deck of the steamer Potosi and over a large part of the colony some time since. There has been another similar visitation—this time in the New England districts—and several correspondents have been kind enough to send me samples of the dust, and a description of the weather when it fell.

On Wednesday the 12th, the day that was so hot generally, a thunderstorm broke over the town of Uralla at 5 p.m. There was heavy rain, and some hail. Shortly after 6 p.m. the dust began to fall, and continued till 11 a.m. the next day; the air seeming to be full of yellow dust, the rain had brought it down on leaves and roots, and quantities could have been collected. It appears the dust fell also at Armidale and other places on the tableland. So far as I have yet heard, this was the limit; but if it was seen in other parts of the colony I shall be very glad to hear of it.

There has not been time for careful examination, but the dust seems to be of exactly the same character as that which fell in the Potosi storm.

It has been suggested that this is volcanic dust, but it has not that appearance, and, had it been so widely distributed as would be necessary to produce the red sunsets, it would have been found all over the colony. It is far more probable that it is the red clay deposited in some dried-up lagoon in the interior, which a whirlwind has carried up into the north-west current, which brought it to Uralla. In such a wind it may have come hundreds of miles. The previous storm I traced from Milparinka to Moruya; and once, as I mentioned before, dust was found in France that had been taken up by a storm in South America.

Observatory, Dec. 20. H. C. RUSSELL.

FRUIT AS AN ARTICLE OF DIET FOR THE SICK.—This question was lately discussed by Professor Reclam in the *Gesundheit*, and in the course of his remarks he laid stress upon the necessity of properly masticating fruit, as much of the prejudice which exists against its use as a portion of a sick person's diet arises from the fact that it is often consumed in a hasty and consequently injurious manner. He excludes from his dietary scale all fruit which is so hard as to require much exertion in masticating it. As to the choice of fruit, he gives copious details as to the relative proportions of acid contained in different varieties. Plums contain the largest quantity of acid and only a limited amount of saccharine matter, although the taste is deceived in this respect by the other component parts of the fruit in question. Ripe red pears form the other extreme of the scale of acidity.

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CONTINENTAL GOSSIP.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT "STELLA.")

PARIS, OCT. 26.

"There are vague reports," says a journal from the land of the Pharaohs, "of disturbances in Macedonia; but the official journal of Salonica makes no mention of them." What large implication of changes in the inter-relationships of countries so little known, even a generation ago, that they seemed almost as remote from the every day of Europe as the regions of the moon, is conveyed in that one short sentence! And now we have the probability of an inland sea being opened in the north of Africa, and another probability of the utilising of the great natural ravine of the valley of the Jordan for the creation of a navigable marine highway between the Mediterranean and the Red Sea. The scientific eminence of the party of geologists and engineers, mostly English, who are already on their way to Palestine (where they will make a thorough examination of the proposed undertaking), is a sufficient guarantee of the seriousness of the proposition. Examining the eastern end of the Desert of Tih, the sites of Ezion Geber, Elath, Kadesh, and the Way of the Spies, the party will work their way northward, accompanied by an escort furnished by the Egyptian Government, exploring the topographical features of the Wady el Arabah, east and west, till the southern shore of the Dead Sea is reached. After this, Moab will be explored; and from Jericho the party will proceed along the Valley of the Jordan to the Sea of Galilee, returning thence westward over the hill country to Jerusalem. The one great difficulty in the way of the cutting of this new canal appears to be the breadth and elevation of the ridges of hills which cross the Wady el Arabah from east to west, and through which any canal connecting the Dead and Red Seas would have to pass. The Jordan Valley being nearly 1300 feet below the level of the Mediterranean and Red Seas, and presenting the most remarkable depression on the surface of the earth, the formation of a waterway through this ravine would probably result in obliterating the greater part of the scenes connected with the birth of the Christian religion. A ditch of 20 miles in length would conduct the waters of the Gulf of Akaba into the Dead Sea and the Jordan Valley, converting this great ravine into an inland sea, 10 miles wide and 200 miles long. A second cutting would connect this new sea with the Mediterranean.

A Biblical student has been calling attention to "the apparent fulfilment, in three several ways, of the Prophet Ezekiel's words (chap. xlvii.), should the proposed plan of connecting the Mediterranean and Dead Sea be carried out."

According to this student, of the predictions of the prophet in question, these three ways of fulfilment are as follow:—

1. Bearing in mind that Jerusalem stands 2400 feet above the Mediterranean, while the Dead Sea lies 1400 feet below that level, the waters of the Mediterranean would flow far up the Valley of the Kedron, so that to one coming from Jerusalem eastwards, they would be first "ankle deep," then "to the knees," then "to the loins," then "a river that I could not pass over." Zechariah also (xiv., 8) foretells a communication by water from Jerusalem, both to the Dead Sea and the Mediterranean, in summer and winter alike, i.e. never failing.

2. The waters of the Dead Sea (v. 8-9) are "to be healed," and filled with a multitude of fish "as the fish of the great sea," i.e. the Mediterranean. The mention of Engedi (v. 10) makes the reference to the Dead Sea certain.

3. As the Jordan descends 600 feet between the Sea of Galilee and the Dead Sea, the level of the former would be raised from 600 to 700 feet, swallowing up Tiberias, and forming a sea northwards over the sites of Capernaum, Bethsaida, Magdala, &c., towards Damascus, Mount Hermon, and the Hauran (v. 16, 17). This," says the searcher quoted, "we may well regret, as that Jericho, the fountain of Elisha, and the fords and plain of the Jordan should be buried 800 feet below the waters."

It appears that in the "Speaker's Bible" in the House of Commons, "there are many points of interest in the comments upon the 47th chapter of Ezekiel, bearing directly upon this project never thought of," adds the student quoted, "when they were written."

The commercial and political advantages of the proposed waterway are considered to be enormously great, that if the work is found to be feasible, it is tolerably sure to be carried out, all regrets over the loss of revered names and sites to the contrary notwithstanding.

The movement westward, which is taking so many Europeans to America, offers occasional comic incidents. Thus, within a fortnight, one of a party of Germans who passed through this city on their way to Havre, having unintentionally strayed from his companions, wandered about the thoroughfares for three days and nights, sleeping wherever he could find shelter, anxious, harassed, and ill with terror lest the others should have gone on their way without him. He could not speak a word of French, and he seems to have been unable to find anybody speaking German. He, moreover, did not know, or had forgotten, the address of the obscure lodging-house at which the party had put up. It was only through the exertions of the police, set to search for him by the other members of the party, that the unlucky wanderer was at length found, brought back to the inn, and restored to his anxious wife and friends, whose alarm at his prolonged and unaccountable absence may be easily imagined, as also the poor man's joy at this reunion. A similar adventure befell a boy who came to Paris with his parents, also Germans, on their way to America, via Havre. He got lost in the streets, wandered about for days, finding no one who could understand him, and unable to make his way back to the inn where his parents were staying. By a happy chance, however, he one day spied his mother, who, like his father, was searching for him in all directions, rushed into her arms with a huge explosion of joy in the hated Teutonic "jingo," and the family then hastened on to the port from which they were to go forth on their quest of fortune in the New World.

The horrors of that quintessence of all that is abominable war, and its component elements, have rarely been so graphically described as in three articles addressed to a leading journal of this city by a military correspondent in Anam, and published by that paper, to the amazement and disgust of its numerous readers. The scene after a recent "victory" is thus described:—"It became difficult to restrain the ardour of the men (marines), who wished to descend into the village, drive Tu Duc's men from under the trees, and finish them off. That would have been a useless danger for our men, as evidently the poor fugitives would be obliged to leave their refuge, and their only issue would be along the road at the foot of the fort. The sights of the rifles had been adjusted for the distances, a supply of ammunition placed at hand, and everything was ready to shoot them down as they passed. While waiting for them we watched the combined movement of the other French troops, which was being executed to the south; the enemy, who were flying; and the Anamite flags, which were being lowered. The great battery of the Rice Warehouse was taken, and the villages behind were burning and throwing up red flame and black smoke. It was a pleasure to see those conflagrations, how rapidly they spread, and how all the country was blazing. All conscience was extinct, and all sentiments were absorbed in that astounding thirst for destruction. The fugitives we were waiting for had in fact passed under the fire of the seamen of the Atalante. We saw them appear in a body, half roasted, as they left their village. They hesitated for a moment, drew their clothes around them to run better, covered their heads with planks, matting, or wicker shields, as a protection against the bullets—an infantine precaution, such as might have been taken against a shower—and then ran as fast as their legs could carry them. The great butchery then began. Our men fired in platoons, and it was fun to see those showers of bullets hail down on them, twice a minute by word of command, in a sure and methodical manner. It was a sort of *douche*, which levelled them on the ground in groups, and bespattered them with sand and gravel. Some rose up, quite bewildered, and ran blindly, like wounded beasts. They sped about in zigzags, in all directions, in a race for life, gathering their garments about their loins, their hair untied and dishevelled, giving them the appearance of women. Some plunged into the lake to swim, covering their heads with their shields of osiers or of straw, endeavouring to reach the junks. We shot them in the water. Some were good divers, and remained for a long time under the water; but they were spotted all the same when they put their heads above water, like seals, to take a breath of air. We amused ourselves with counting the dead; fifty to the left, eighty to the right; in the village they were to be seen in little heaps, some of them, although roasted, still moving; their arms or legs stiffened in the throes of death. Shrieks of pain were heard. Including those who fell inside the southern forts, there must have been 800 or 1000. Our men made guesses, and laid wagers on the number."

The publication of the revolting cruelty of the struggle being carried on by the French invaders of Anam has created such a general movement of horror and indignation that the Government has recalled the writer of the articles (Lieutenant Vaud, whose *nom de plume* is Pierre Loti), with the intention of sending him before a court-martial on the charge of having insulted the French navy by falsely attributing to them the horrible deeds and sentiments set forth in the description quoted above. It was rumoured that M. Vaud had been turned out of the service, but this is not the case; and now that the first impression of horror has calmed down, people are beginning to see that war is necessarily a cruel and hideous business, the concatenation of everything against which human nature instinctively revolts. The French Government got up the invasion of Anam as of the various other countries with which it is now at war; and it seems something like "straining at a gnat while swallowing a camel," to find fault with its agents for committing the very crimes whose committal constitutes war. If the universal protest raised by Lieutenant Viaud's vivid description of what he justly calls "A Butchery of Annamites" could tend to the formation of a public determination to abolish war, that protest would have not been made in vain. But with all Europe bristling with armies and rival greeds and ambitions controlling the action their terrible machinery, the lovers of peace are probably destined to witness a vast deal of the same horrors now being inflicted on so many points of the earth's surface. And this being the case, it is hard to see how any Government that initiates a war can decently blame its agents for describing the very deeds its forces have been employed to commit!

RELIEVING LINE RAILWAY, WELLINGTON TO MUDGEE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—In one of your sub-leaders of a recent date, referring to Mr. Goodchap's minute on the alleged discovery of a new railway route up the Colo Valley, you ask: "Presuming Surveyor Townshend is right in his conclusion as to the feasibility of the valley route, will the construction of a railway by that route to Wellington afford the relief required, or will the traffic to be obtained along it and from beyond Wellington be sufficient to warrant a second Western line to the latter point?" I hope to convince you that it will afford a full measure of relief—that the traffic will be sufficient to warrant a second Western line, but that in point of fact no such second line has to be constructed between Wellington and Mudgee.

That my explanation may be clearer to you I send by this post a map of New South Wales on which I have drawn a double penmark line—two proposed railway routes now under survey, Mudgee to Coonamble and Werris Creek, via Wellington, Forbes, Grenfell, and Young, to Murrumburrah. These will intersect each other between Denison Town and Gulgong, and from that intersection either way to Mudgee and Wellington a line will be formed which, under any circumstances, will relieve the Western line for 125 miles between Wellington and Wallerawang.

Now, if I satisfy you that the two proposed lines I have mentioned do, by their intersection, connect Wellington with Mudgee, and that they are necessary, and will be important main lines, you can hardly seek to debit the Western line with the cost of so much of their construction as may be necessary to connect the two before-mentioned places.

The opponents of the line from Wallerawang to Mudgee assert that the traffic will not pay for "grease for the axles." Its extension therefore from Mudgee may be looked upon as a certainty, especially as it is well known, it must pass through a splendid level country capable of supporting a large population, and the Western line will thus sustain so much relief.

You seem to think the traffic between Wallerawang and Bourke of little consideration. You forget the enormous quantity of wool, sheep, cattle, and supplies which pass from or to the west through Wellington. For months and months from 17 to 20 trains pass this place each day. 100,000 sheep and 15,000 head of cattle have been trucked to Wellington alone during the last twelve months, and I have it on the authority of Messrs. Wright, Heaton, and Co.'s manager at Nyngan that the traffic is increasing enormously as the line extends west, and that the further it extends the more astounding the increase becomes.

The distance from Wellington to Sydney via Mudgee and Wallerawang is shorter than by Bathurst, and should the Colo Valley route decrease this distance, much of the traffic from the direction of Forbes may be diverted on to the line via Mudgee, as well as the enormous traffic growing from the Bourke extension. I think from the foregoing facts it must be admitted that it will be wise and economical to carry out part of Mr. Goodchap's suggestion by connecting Wellington with Mudgee, whether the Colo Valley or Richmond routes be adopted or not, as the Western line will thus be duplicated for 120 miles, and shortened without any real addition to the cost of railway construction; and it must be evident that the traffic which can be diverted via Mudgee will be sufficient and greatly relieve the present Western line.

Mudgee is not more than 40 miles from Wellington in a direct line, and there are no insurmountable obstacles to connect them by rail nearly direct. By doing so, however, it would cause too great a deviation in the line to Werris Creek, which will have easier gradients and will pass through better country. Should the Colo Valley route be adopted, and the distance to Wellington be reduced 30 miles, the country would be saved £3000 a year for fellers' wages alone, and freight and passage money be reduced one-eighth.

There is very little difference in the height; either Werris Creek, Wellington, or Murrumburra stand above sea level, and most of the produce south of Werris Creek would find its way to Sydney via Mudgee.

The gradients on Werris Creek or Coonamble lines will be insignificant, and the formation perfectly easy.

As the value of a line from Werris Creek to Murrumburra or Junee may be questioned, I will crave a space for a few remarks on that head. I might sum up in a few words, that any line running through Tenterfield, Glen Innes, Armidale, Tamworth, Werris Creek, Wellington, Forbes, Grenfell, Young, Albury, and between such places as Brisbane and Melbourne, all nearly in a straight line, must command attention; but, in addition, it will serve to unite every main line in the three colonies. It will become a main feeder to all our lines. It will increase trade to a remarkable extent; it will equalise the markets of Australia, whether it be for flour, beef, or fodder. In case of drought it will enable the graziers to remove their stock north or south to any distance that freight charges will admit. It will be a boon to the Hunter River farmers as an outlet for their maize or lucerne, and to the Clarence for its sugar and maize.

Perhaps there cannot be found in the world 1200 miles of more productive soil—all the best wheat and wine districts will be passed through—and I predict, without fear of disappointment, that it will ultimately become the best paying line in the colonies.

You suggest that the relief gained by a duplicate line will be nullified by the construction of the line from Blayney to Murrumburrah, and from Orange to Forbes. That, under all circumstances, is no argument against the duplication via Mudgee, but I do submit that both these lines are local matters, and should give place to that from Wellington via Forbes to Murrumburrah. The Blayney line, because it will run through a difficult country, will be only of very small and local advantage, whilst the line from Wellington to Murrumburrah is of national advantage, and will pass through a level agricultural country, and will be of untold benefit to the farmers north, south, and east, and the graziers of the west. If the Orange line terminate at Molong, it will serve the immediate necessities of all within a certain radius of that place, and will afford convenience to a considerable extent of country beyond which for some time will be denied to equally important districts.

I do not address you in support of Mr. Goodchap, but in the interest of the town I live in, and for the general welfare, though I do think Mr. Goodchap will deserve the thanks of the community should his idea turn out feasible. I think it is every one's business to suggest the best line of railway, and I do not think Mr. Goodchap has usurped anybody's province. In the country districts every one deplores the irritations said to exist in the Railway Department. The Chief Commissioner, Engineer-in-Chief, and Engineer of Permanent Ways are all held in respect as valuable officers, and their alleged bickerings are ascribed to the absence of such official arrangements as would prevent friction, and while the general opinion is adverse to the mountain line, all free from partisan spirit hold Mr. Whitton no more responsible for it than they would a general some of whose subordinates had suffered a defeat. At Wellington, at any rate, we rest assured that the public interest is quite safe in the keeping of any one of these gentlemen.

In conclusion, I trust, Mr. Editor, that you and your readers will be convinced that the lines from Werris Creek via Wellington and Forbes to Murrumburrah, and from Mudgee to Coonamble, are of the first importance, and deserve immediate attention, and that these portions which will serve to connect Wellington with Mudgee, and for a relieving line as far as Wallerawang, should have precedence of any other line proposed for construction, as I am sure there will be sufficient traffic, and the relief to the Western line most beneficial. I am, &c.,

E. J. MATTHEWS, one of the Secretaries Wellington Railway Committee.

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SCHOOL EXHIBITIONS.

SYDNEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

The annual gathering for the distribution of prizes to the pupils of the Sydney Grammar School in connection with the breaking-up for the holidays, took place on Wednesday afternoon. There was a very large attendance, and, owing to the absence of the chairman of the board, the chair was taken by Mr. Justice Windeyer. There were also on the platform the Hon. Alexander Stuart (Colonial Secretary), Mr. Russell (Government Astronomer), Dr. Garran, Mr. A. B. Weigall, B.A. (head master), and a number of other gentlemen. At the request of the chairman the examiners read the following reports. Mr. Charles H. Rendell, M.A., Tutor and Lecturer Trinity College, Melbourne, late scholar Hertford College, Oxford, reports as follows of the Classical work of the school—"To the Trustees of the Sydney Grammar School. Gentlemen,—I have the honour to submit to you my report of the Classical work of the Sydney Grammar School. I am happy to say that it is generally most favourable. With but few exceptions the work appointed has in every form been thoroughly and efficiently done; and in fact, being well acquainted with many Australian schools, I can confidently affirm that the standard and style of work indicated by the results now laid before you are the best with which I have come in contact. This gratifying result must be attributed not only to the well-known erudition and energy of the present headmaster, but also to the qualifications of the gentlemen now working under him, whose power of imparting knowledge and maintaining strict discipline I consider it would be hard to equal even in England. I have appended detailed particulars concerning the papers set throughout the school, and consequently it is not necessary for me to make more than brief general remarks as to the work of the separate forms. The sixth form has done altogether better than last year, having attained a higher standard, and, as is far more important, being much more on a level. The whole form have done well, the first five admirably. I would, however, offer a suggestion, that next year some portion of the prose authors should be prepared minutely, translated on paper, and learned by heart. This would lead to an improvement in the style of composition, and also in the style of translation, which is somewhat weak, the boys aiming too much at mere correctness, a standard which is not high enough for the form. This would necessitate covering a somewhat smaller amount of ground; but I feel certain that it would lead to good results. The boys of the form have more knowledge of the history involved in their reading than they had last year, and it is satisfactory to find that the suggestion offered in my former report has led to solid results. Russell, I., who is first in the form, has done remarkably well; and Thompson, I., who is second, has done such exceedingly good work, and made such great progress during the year, that I feel it my duty and pleasure to strongly recommend him for a special prize. The fifth form has not done such satisfactory work, though a fair standard has been maintained in the upper part of it. This, however, is almost entirely due to their work being broken by the junior examination; and also to the form's attempting too much in taking almost the same work as the sixth. I would recommend that next year a less amount should be read, and that some portion, however small, of prose authors should be selected for repetition and careful translation on paper. I would also suggest that the candidates for whom the junior examination is a necessity should remain in the fourth form. It is absolutely unnecessary, *prima facie*, that boys intended to reach the sixth form and enter for the senior examination should pass the junior examination at all. But the standard of the fifth ought not to be lowered to meet the special requirements of any boys for whom this is desired; and such boys should remain where the work may be better adapted for the junior examination. The fourth form is excellent in every way; they know a good deal, and know it well, and their master deserves every credit for level teaching. The remove has not done so well; it is unsatisfactory to see so many failures in a form in such an important position in the school. The modern forms have done very well, especially the shell and the first three boys of the highest form. The second modern form is not so satisfactory. The standard of all these forms is higher than it has been in past years. All the forms of the Lower school have done exceedingly well—III. B. perhaps the best. The teaching of elementary work is exceedingly thorough, and in every case the grammar is excellently known. It would be hard anywhere to find a parallel to such a series of satisfactory forms; and the master of the Lower school must be congratulated upon arranging and preserving an admirable system, and the masters upon carrying it out with great energy and success. In all the *viva voce* examinations I found the discipline thoroughly satisfactory. From the sixth form to the first there is abundance of the best material, and I have no doubt that under favourable conditions even a higher standard, especially in Forms VI. and V., will be reached next year." Mr. Thomas Harlin, M.A., late Fellow of St. Peter's, Cambridge, reports as follows of the mathematical work of the school:—"I have great pleasure in reporting in very favourable terms of the present state of the mathematical side of the Sydney Grammar School. The work of the various divisions is well and carefully graduated;—the style in which the boys reproduce what they have been studying during the year is, generally speaking, creditable both to their intelligence, and to the diligence and efficiency of the masters who have been placed in charge of the various divisions; and not only are the average results shown in the detailed appendix to this report satisfactory in themselves, but they also compare favourably with the corresponding records of the mathematical examination of 1882. At the same time, I am bound to add that as regards the important matter of accuracy in the simpler arithmetical and algebraical operations there is still much room for improvement in all but the two highest mathematical divisions of the school. On the other hand, there are not more than 10 among the 240 sets of Euclid papers which I have had to examine of which I should feel justified in speaking in terms of unqualified censure. This is so small a proportion of a relatively very large total that I have no hesitation in saying that the geometrical work of the school is at present in an unusually sound and satisfactory state. You will perhaps remember that I spoke about it in very different terms when I first acted as your mathematical examiner. I congratulate both you and your masters on the improved state of matters which I find now; and which is, to some extent at all events, the result of the system of appointing external examiners, which you introduced six years ago. As to arithmetic, I was rather surprised to hear on my arrival in Sydney that many of the boys had pronounced the harder of my two arithmetical papers to be too easy for them. But judging from the very high marks obtained by a very large proportion of the upper divisions of the Upper School, I am quite ready to acknowledge now that the verdict pronounced in regard to my paper was perfectly fair. Yet I remain of the opinion that the questions which I set were sufficiently hard to test the arithmetical knowledge of any average public school; and I congratulate the boys of the Sydney Grammar School on having even better arithmeticians in their ranks than I expected to find there. Moreover, there is plenty of promise in the work of the juniors of the Lower School; and I have little doubt that hereafter they, in their turn, will receive a similar compliment. As regards the algebraic work, it is everywhere good in point of style. But with the exception of the leading divisions of the school there is a want of accuracy about the simpler algebraic operations, from which I infer that some of the masters have attempted to teach the boys of their divisions more of algebra than they were capable of grasping during the year. This, I grant, is a fault in the right direction—but it is a fault which ought to be counterbalanced by test examinations, at regular intervals, on the elementary rules and principles of the subject. Lastly, with reference to the higher mathematical papers, I have to report that I am quite satisfied with the work of the three first boys of the first division, and that a large proportion of the rest of the boys of that division have mastered the early difficulties which many boys find in beginning to learn trigonometry."

Mr. WEIGALL, in addressing those present, said that was the only day on which he felt unhappy in the schoolroom, because he was so often reminded that the one duty of the Australian schoolmaster was to advertise his school on such occasions, and he felt so painfully his own inability to perform that part of his functions in such a way as to satisfy the aspirations of his friends, or to advance the interests of the school in that direction; he had always learned and had endeavoured to teach that the real advertisement for a school was not to be found in the columns of a newspaper, but in the daily lives of its masters and pupils; they would not, therefore, accuse him of false modesty if he contented himself with saying that, so far as he knew, the Sydney Grammar School at present had no reason to shrink from any amount of fair and competent criticism; but, unfortunately, a drawback to many professions in the colony, and to his own in particular, was found in the absence of competent critics; theorists indeed abounded, but he had often wondered whether those gentlemen who were so ready in promulgating their views on education had ever formed in their own minds any definition of the term itself. Had they ever asked themselves whether education consisted in the training of the intellectual faculties from within, or in the acquisition of information from without; the one, he maintained, was an education in principles, but the other was a mere cramming with facts. He was brought to remember that it was upon the former of these theories the bylaws of the school were originally drafted by the late Dr. Woolley, and it had been his one object to carry out the intentions under which the bylaws had been drafted. It was to secure some such competent criticism that several years ago he suggested to the trustees the desirability of having the work of the school periodically tested by outside examiners, and that anyone who would take the trouble to compare the earlier reports with those issued in later years could not fail to notice what a vast amount of direct good had been effected by the system then introduced by the trustees. He had hoped that before this the example set by the Sydney Grammar School and the force of public opinion would have induced all the schools of New South Wales to submit annually to a similar ordeal. It was within his own knowledge that the reports on the present occasion had been drawn up with extreme labour and the most painful accuracy, and that the compilation of the reports had given the examiners several weeks of hard work. The public would judge from the reports that the masters were doing their duty, but there was a further duty of daily more pressing importance in which the masters were powerless, and for the remedy of which they would have to look to the trustees. No one would contradict him if he said the present building and its appointments were quite unworthy of the school's claims on public support; it was impossible to inculcate refinement or to develop artistic tastes in rooms so ugly and dingy; but he trusted there were members on the board of trustees of sufficient public spirit and interest in the school to warrant a hope that by next year some definite steps would have been taken for the total reorganisation of the material fabric of the school. In conclusion, the speaker drew attention to the degrees won by former captains of the school, published for the first time in the annual school reports.

The prizes were then presented by Sir Alfred Stephen, who also made a few remarks. The following is the prize list:—Knox prizes: 1. Russell (1); 2. Hayden (2). Windeyer essay (Federal government: its difficulties and advantages): Walker. Knox Latin prose prize: Russell (1). Cape verse prize: Garran, Russell (1), æq. General prizes, given to all boys who gain three first classes during the year.—Upper school: Russell (1), Thompson (1), Smith (1), M'Innes (1), Roseby, Anderson (1), Stephen (2), Woolcott. Lower School: Anderson (2), Macarthy, Lyon (1), Goldsmid, Hayden (2), Hunt 2, Stewart (2). Form prizes: VI. Russell (1), Thompson (1). V. M'Intyre (1). IV. M'Innes (1), M'Neil (1). Remove—Anderson (1). Moderns: 1, Fitz; 2, Menzies; 3, Mackel; Shell, Vicars (2), Gullick. III. A., Glanville; B., Smith (4), Murray (2). II. A., Taylor (1); B., Stewart (2). I. A., Read; B., Manning. Mathematical Prizes:—Upper School—Russell (1), Robertson (1), Stephen (2), Lamrock, Hilliard, Boyd, Mears, Parker (1); Lower School—Palmer, Hayden (2), Hunt (2), Waldron, Deane (5), Smith (5), Howard. Quarterly Examination Prizes, April and September, 1883.—Upper School—Latin Grammar, Leibius; Greek Grammar, M'Intyre (i.); English Grammar, Woolcott; Arithmetic, Binnie. Lower School—Arithmetic, Brereton (i.); Latin Grammar, Macpherson (iii.)

Mr. Justice WINDEYER also delivered a short address, in which he congratulated the school as a parent upon the report which had been read, and especially upon the tone which he stated he knew from personal experience to run through the school. Whilst he congratulated the winners of the prizes, his sympathy was principally with those who had tried to win but had failed. With regard to the remarks in reference to the present state of the building, he might state that the trustees had the matter under consideration, especially with regard to the desirability of at once erecting a dining hall in which the boys could take their midday meal.

The Hon. ALEXANDER STUART said that, whilst acknowledging that the buildings were in an unsatisfactory condition, he thought the work done within the walls was of more importance, and that the school was doing its best to get its wants met by maintaining an intellectual standard and a moral tone, which would eventually force those claims upon the attention of the Ministry. He was not aware that any very urgent representations on the subject had been made to the Government by the trustees of the school. He hoped that the provisions of the Civil Service bill which was to be introduced would afford scope for the highest ambition of the best boys in the school, as in the bill the only claim to promotion would consist in the proficiency of the candidates. In conclusion, Mr. Stuart reminded the pupils of the advantages which their time of life and their surroundings gave them, and also the responsibilities which such advantages entailed.

The proceedings terminated with cheers for the Queen and the masters of the school.

Mr. Stuart, before leaving, was shown over the various class rooms by Mr. Weigall, and thoroughly inspected the place.

At Ashfield, on Wednesday last, the Mayor, Mr. Hammond, presided at the distribution of prizes to the pupils attending the Public school. A large number of visitors were present on the occasion. Several songs and recitations were rendered in a highly creditable manner. Miss Owen, the head mistress of the girls' school, was presented by her pupils with an illuminated address, together with a handsome writing desk; and the headmaster also received from the boys a complimentary address and a silver-mounted inkstand. Mr. Studdy, jun., also got an address from the children, accompanied by a writing desk. The proceedings terminated with cheers for the Mayor, whose generosity had provided the means of obtaining the prizes.

At Summer Hill Public school, the presentation of prizes took place on Wednesday, the Mayor of Ashfield presiding, a well selected assortment of useful books was distributed to the well deserving scholars, in the presence of many visitors. There was a large attendance of children, who took a deep interest in the proceedings, which passed off in a highly satisfactory manner.

The breaking-up of the Fitzroy-street Public school for the holidays took place on Wednesday. The prizes were given to those pupils who were entitled to them by Mr. James Green, formerly teacher of the school. Before distributing them he made a few appropriate remarks. At the close of the distribution the pupils presented Mr. Ritchie, the head master, with an illuminated address and a silver mounted oak inkstand, as a token of their appreciation of his kindness and efforts for their improvement. Mr. Ritchie briefly expressed his thanks, and the children were dismissed for the holidays.

Mr. J. J. Murtagh, B.A., principal of the Redfern Academy, Redfern-street, Redfern, was on Thursday the recipient of a very complimentary address, handsomely illuminated and artistically executed. It was signed and presented by his pupils, 102 in number, immediately after the distribution of prizes, and was accompanied by a valuable souvenir of gold chain and gold diamond locket.

The usual yearly prize distribution in connection with St. Mark's Day and Sunday Schools took place on Thursday evening. The Rev. T. Kemmis presided, and the large schoolroom was crowded by an attentive and interested audience, consisting of the children and many of their parents and friends. The chairman congratulated the meeting on the success which had attended their efforts as a church school during the past year. He was glad to be able to state that the average attendance was quite equal to that which had obtained while the school was under the Council of Education. The system of teaching remained unaltered. It was also stated by the superintendent that a fair increase in the numbers of the Sunday School had taken place during the last few months, the gratifying result of the labours of the district visitors. After the chairman's address the prizes were distributed. Songs and recitations were given by the children, by whom, at the close of the proceedings, a valuable desk was presented, as a token of affection for their teacher, Mr. C. H. Bracken. After cheers for the prize-donors, the teachers, the Queen, and the Vicar, the meeting terminated.

The speech-night and distribution of prizes in connection with St. Mary's Boys' School, conducted by the Marist Brothers, was held on Thursday afternoon in the school building, there being a large attendance of parents of pupils and their friends. Dean Mahony presided and delivered an introductory address. A programme of music and recitations was then gone through, the pupils being assisted by Herr A. Francik and Signor Vittorini. An address was delivered by one of the pupils, thanking Dean Mahony for the interest he had shown in the school; and another lad, on behalf of his schoolmates, thanked those present for their attendance. Sir Patrick Jennings replied to the address, and spoke some words of commendation and encouragement to the lads. The prizes, including some valuable gifts—a gold cross, and silver and gold medals, given by Dean Mahony, Mr. Hollingdale, and Lady Jennings—were presented, and the proceedings were closed by singing the National Anthem.

On the 19th instant, at the conclusion of the distribution of prizes in connection with the St. Leonards Public school, an address and gift were presented by the pupils to the head master, Mr. John Cusack. The address expressed the gratitude of the pupils for the manner in which Mr. Cusack had striven to aid them in their studies, and for the kindness and forbearance he had shown to all under his charge. The gift was a handsome silver inkstand. Mr. Cusack responded to the address in suitable terms.

JUNIOR PUBLIC EXAMINATIONS.

The following tables may be useful to persons interested in the above subject. Of seminaries called "colleges" 18 sent up 82 successful candidates in this order:—

	Boys.	Girls.		Boys.	Girls.
Newington	16	—	St. Stanilaus	5	—
St. Patrick's (Goulburn)	12	—	Ladies' (Sydney)	—	5
St. Aloysius	8	—	Four others	7	—
Marist Brothers	6	—	Six others	—	12
All Saints	6	—		65	17
Jesuits	5	—			

Grammar schools are credited with 75 passes:—

	Boys.	Girls.		Boys.	Girls.
Sydney	15	—	Toowoomba	5	—
Brisbane	10	4	Rockhampton	2	3
Maryborough	7	2	Three others	12	—
Grafton	6	2		64	11
Ipswich	7	—			

Roman Catholic Convents passed 19 girls. Various schools, private and Public, passed 69 boys and 52 girls. The King's School, Parramatta, placed 12 boys, and from superior and other State schools, there were 48 boys and 14 girls: 62 in all. The total numbers are, 198 boys, 97 girls, making 295.

The subjects for the year, and the positions taken by boys and girls respectively will be seen in the subjoined table:—

—	Boys.		Total.	Girls.		Total.
	H.	L.		H	L	
History (English)	23	92	115	17	59	76
Geography	38	84	122	38	42	80
English	24	83	107	24	60	84
French	4	19	23	17	35	52
German	3	5	8	1	2	3
Latin	21	44	65	3	7	10
Greek	6	8	14	..	1	1
Arithmetic	126	55	181	23	39	62
Algebra	42	47	89	1	10	11
Geometry	112	50	162	12	3	15
Inorganic Chemistry	7	7	14	...	...	...
Physics	10	13	23	1	1	2
Geology	20	26	46	16	21	37
	436	533	969	153	280	433

Whilst the number of boys greatly exceeds that of girls, the average of passes is not so unequal:—

	H.	L.	Total.
Boys	2·2	2·69	4·89
Girls	1·577	2·886	4·463
Total	3·777	5·576	

From this it will be seen that out of 13 possible passes, the boys gained nearly five, and the girls not quite four and a-half.

READ Swiss Commissioner's Report on the Waltham Riverside Keyless Watch. Buy one of the importer at manufacturers' price; in silver, 7 guineas; in gold, 15 guineas. T. M. Alcock, 633, George-street, Haymarket.—[ADVT.]

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LECTURES.

INDIAN ART.

The concluding lecture of the series on Indian Art, in connection with the Sydney Technical College, was delivered in the large hall of the Sydney Mechanics' School of Arts on Tuesday evening last, by Mr. A. D. Riley. It was stated that, judging from India, the great art in furniture was to do without it, and that except where the people had been influenced by European ideas, furniture was conspicuous by its absence. In Bombay the wealthy natives have some of their rooms furnished in our style, but they generally live in another part of the house, often in a distinct house, connected by a sort of bridge or arcade. Europeans and strangers, as a rule, are seen in the reception rooms, and only the most intimate friends in the private apartments. Passing through the open porch, on either side of which is an attendants' room, you enter a kind of antechamber, in which you will probably see a jeweller at work, making or repairing the family jewels. Through the window, across the court, will be seen the cook (generally a Brahman) among his silver vessels and dishes. In the opposite verandah some young girls are engaged, under a matron, embroidering silks and satins, and at the end of it a door opens, and you will receive a hearty welcome from your host, who takes you into his private parlour. He has to send for a chair for you, but sits on the ground himself on a grass mat, or cotton satrangi, or on a cashmere rug, with a round pillow at his back; and that is all the furniture the room contains. Up country you may pass through a whole palace, and the only furniture in it will be rugs and pillows, and of course the cooking pots and pans, gold and silver vessels for eating and drinking, and the wardrobes and caskets, and images of the gods. The perfect proportion of the rooms, the polish of the ivory-white walls, the frescoes round the dado, and the richness and boldness of the carved woodwork of the doors and the projecting parts of the beams and pillars, attract your attention. Your host has on nothing but a muslin wrapper, for he is about to have prayers performed, and as he throws it off his shoulders and head, and girds it round his waist and sits down, a Brahman enters and places the gods and sacred vessels before him, burning incense, and going through the customary forms and ceremonies; while your friend, if you are interested, explains them in their order. A description was then given of the construction and ornamentation of their furniture; the rules and directions for felling trees when their circulation is inactive, and also the seasoning afterwards, so as to prevent cracks and contractions, were mentioned. Sandalwood and blackwood are principally used for furniture, but the most prized of all materials is ivory. One of the Prince of Wales's presents was an ivory cot from Travancore. A four-post bedstead green in parcel-gilt silver, with red and yellow hangings of needle-worked embroidery, was another of the many gifts. In making thrones, gold, silver, and copper, is are most used. Iron is condemned, except for seats of incantation. Gritty sandstone is forbidden, and the colour of any stone used should be that of the planet presiding over the destiny of the person for whom the throne is made. The lotus flower has been freely used in this work, as well as in the architecture. Bombay inlaid work next came under notice. It is made up of tin wire, sandalwood, ebony, Brazil wood, ivory, white, and stained green, and stag's horn. Fruit is modelled at various places, but at Lucknow the models of fruit are so true to nature as to defy detection until taken in the hand. Lac work is a very widely extended industry in India. The variegated balls and sticks are made by twisting variously coloured melting sealing-wax round and round the stick or ball from top to bottom in alternate bands. Then the stick or ball is held before the fire, and with a needle or pin short lines are here and there drawn perpendicularly through the bands of sealing wax, drawing the different colours together, after which the stick or ball is rapidly rolled on a cool smooth surface, producing the singular variegated effect. The lacquered wooden and papier-maché boxes and trays are of several distinct kinds. The Sindh boxes are made by laying variously coloured lac in succession on the boxes while turning on the lathe, and then cutting the design through the different colours. Other boxes are simply etched, and painted with hunting scenes, or natural or conventional flowers, and then varnished. Some Hindu playing cards, manufactured at Sawantwadi, are pleasing objects, and illustrate the state of the art of painting in India in districts where it has remained uninfluenced by European teaching and example. They are circular in shape, and are painted with mythological subjects in bright colours. The jeweller's and goldsmith's art in India is indeed of the highest antiquity, and the forms of Indian jewellery as well as of gold and silver plate, and the chasings and embossings decorating them, have come down in an unbroken tradition from the Ramayana and the Mahabharata. After the archive jewellery of Ahmedabad, the best Indian jewellery of the purest Hindu style is the beaten gold of Mysore, which well illustrates the admirable way in which the native workers in gold and silver elaborate an extensive surface of ornament out of apparently a wholly inadequate quantity of metal, beating it almost to the thinness of tissue paper, without weakening the effect of its solidity. By the wonderful skill and thorough knowledge and appreciation of the conventional decoration of surface, they contrive to give to the least possible weight of metal, and to things we should consider worthless, the highest possible artistic value, never violating the principles of ornamentation, nor failing to please. Mr. Riley then pointed out the great difference between our method of decorating jewellery and theirs. The lecture was well illustrated with a number of diagrams.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—With grateful surprise I have read the circular issued to the Public schoolmasters and secretaries of schools of arts by the promoters of technical education. The motive which has doubtless prompted this step is to discover what can be done to benefit the whole population, and not a mere fraction of it. It would have been well, I think, if these same circulars had been likewise sent to all magistrates, doctors, and clergymen. These gentlemen have, however, taken a broad and large view of this question, and, *macti virtute sunto*, say I! How unfavourably does this action on the part of the technical educator contrast with the narrow view of those who have the grave responsibility of extending to the people of Australia culture in arts. By a strange irony the narrowness that is universally supposed to belong to those who are only technically educated, seems to have escaped them, and alighted on their more cultured brethren. "Has the practice in drilling syllables and particles" any injurious effect? And are the words of Lord Macaulay true: "Unfortunately, those grammatical and philological studies, without which it was impossible to understand the great works of Athenian and Roman genius, have a tendency to contract the views and deaden the sensibility of those who follow them with extreme assiduity. A powerful mind which has been long employed in such studies may be compared to the gigantic spirit in the Arabian tale who was persuaded to contract himself to small dimensions in order to enter within the enchanted vessel, and when his prison had been closed upon him, found himself unable to escape from the narrow boundaries to the measure of which he had reduced his stature. When the means have long been the objects of application they are naturally substituted for the end. It was said by Eugene of Savoy that the greatest generals have commonly been those who have been at once raised to command, and introduced to the great operations of war, without being employed in the petty calculations and manœuvres which employ the time of an inferior officer." In my judgment Eugene of Savoy's opinion is borne out and confirmed by the spirited manner in which the advocates of technical education have addressed themselves to their task, while the members of the older body who have had art culture committed to them might be well compared to the spirit in the Arabian tale. In writing thus I am only dealing with principles, not with persons. I may safely say I know none of those upon whom the duty devolves of popularising—if I may use that objectionable word—the University. I do not believe the fault lies with the great scholar at its head, whose heroic efforts at all times, in the cause of university education, with his most recent creation of evening classes despite—to use a naval phrase—its double-barrelled anomaly, have always earned my warmest admiration. But what I insist upon is, that neither evening classes nor any other improvement, which compels residence in the city, will meet the needs of the case. Almost all with whom I have conversed on the subject agree with me in thinking that it would be a great boon should the rights of residents in the country be respected. It would be, I affirm, a very interesting and instructive piece of statistical information if a return were made of the number of country men as compared with city men who have graduated, say, in such a University as Trinity College, Dublin. I venture to assert the majority would be on the side of the country.

For my part, admitting the urbanities of city life, I am not at all sure that, while the student reading in the country might not be quite such a "*factus homo ad unguem*," he might not for all this have some very solid advantages above his more favoured brother.

Let, for example, the case be compared of some hard-worked pale-faced, weary office clerk, sallying forth under the gaslight, after a hastily-snatched meal, to sit in the lecture-room of an equally tired professor, with that of a youth living beneath his father's roof, fed on good brain food, who leads a perfectly regular life; a young man, in fact, whose intellect fulsome pleasure has not clogged, and who does not "drown" his heart in the gross mud-honey of town, with all his time at his own disposal, the best classical and mathematical books on his shelves. Are the surroundings, I ask, of the one so infinitely inferior to those of the other as to justify any man, or body of men, in saying, Young man from the country, you cannot have any art culture in the Sydney University unless you are provided with £100 per annum, or unless, like so many others of your age, you have some hope of entering one of the Government offices, to gain a piece of bread, where you may "cast and balance at a desk, perched like a crow upon a three-legged stool, till all your juice is dried, and all your joints are full of chalk." I am, &c.,

St. John's, Camden. JOHN F. MORAN.

All the efforts of French shipbuilders, according to the naval estimates of the Minister of Marine, are to be devoted in future to the development of torpedo boats. If this means that France is the first to recognise the uselessness of building monster ironclads which are obsolete before they are launched, there will soon be serious reason for some more of those alarmist comparisons of the "relative strength of the French and English navies" with which the readers of our daily papers are now familiar.

PROMOTION IN THE PERMANENT ARTILLERY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The future professional prospects of the officers of the Defence Force may reasonably engage the serious attention of all who desire to promote the efficiency of the force, while keeping its numbers and cost within reasonable bounds. In any organisation in which there is a regular gradation of rank, it is highly essential to provide for a proper system of promotion, which shall ensure that those on the lowest rounds of the ladder shall have a fair prospect of reaching the highest. The simile of the ladder, however, does not exactly represent the military hierarchy. It would be better described as a pyramid, of which the lower steps are crowded with aspirants anxiously striving to ascend, and yet prevented by those who occupy the limited standing room of the upper portion. The recently published correspondence on the subject contains a great number of pathetic appeals made by subalterns and their friends, asking that the claims of each one of them to a vacant captaincy should be considered. The number of petitioners for that one vacancy was quite alarming, when one remembered that only one out of the eight or nine who asked for it could possibly get it. It does not seem to have occurred to anyone to ask what will become of the unsuccessful. Surely, no one will suggest that they should remain lieutenants until they grow grey. That, however, actually happened very often in the Seniority Corps of the Imperial service in the days of slow promotion before the Crimean war. It was common enough then for subalterns of Royal Artillery or Engineers to serve 18 or 20 years before they became captains. Matters are much better now. Compulsory retirements and retiring bonuses have materially quickened promotion; but even now a glance at the last Army List will show that the senior subaltern of Royal Artillery obtained his commission on the 17th August, 1874, and the senior of the same rank in the Royal Engineers on the 17th December, 1871, giving the former nine, and the latter 12, years' service. These are startling figures when compared with the revelations of the recently-published correspondence, in which we find letters from certain subalterns of New South Wales Artillery, one of whom complains that he had served four, and another states his service at three and a half years. These gentlemen have very little reason to complain so far, but they have an excellently good right to look into the future and ask that some system of promotion should be established by regulation. It is not sufficient that the general rules, embodied in the Queen's regulations, should be adopted. Those rules presuppose the existence of a traditional system which has never, as a whole, been reduced to writing. The first principle of that system is that promotion shall be by seniority. It has long been understood, however, that if the principle is pushed to its legitimate conclusion it has many serious disadvantages, one of which is that the sluggish and incapable officer is in just as good a position as he who is an energetic, zealous, and capable one; he who barely exerts himself sufficiently to keep out of scrapes, as he who devotes all his powers of mind and body to the performance of his duty. The defect of the system in this respect was long ago perceived, and in order to provide a remedy promotion was made to depend on the favourable reports of commanding officers and inspecting generals, as well as on the aspirant passing a test examination.

There is another and even more serious objection to promotion by seniority, arising from its extreme slowness in time of peace. The seniors remain at their posts until forced by the infirmities of extreme old age to vacate them, consequently, in the ordinary course of events there are few vacancies except those made by death. The remedy for this has been found in a liberal system of retiring allowances for senior officers, so as to induce those whose abilities were not such as to give them a reasonable hope of gaining the great prizes of the service to move out of the way of their younger comrades while they themselves were yet young enough to change their way of life and engage in some new pursuit. It has, however, long been seen that even such a device was not sufficient to make promotion in the lower ranks sufficiently rapid. There were many superior officers who "would not listen to the voice of the charmer," and accept the liberal retiring allowances offered them. They either did not wish to change their way of life, lay aside the habits of years, and form new associations, or they wished to retire on a higher scale of allowances; or perhaps they hoped that at last they might receive some high command or some long-desired appointment. In any case, whatever might be their exact motive, those who had reached some of the higher steps of the pyramid, and saw the apex only just out of their reach, would not consent to quit their exalted position except for one still higher, and thus they blocked the way for those below them until it became evident that there was no resource but to forcibly remove them. Hence the system of compulsory retirement. It was provided that every officer who attained a certain age in a particular rank should be compelled to quit the service. Of course there were, and are still, many cases in which the rule operated harshly, but it was not for the good of the service that juniors should remain too long in subordinate positions, wearing out their youth and wasting their energies in duties beneath their capacity, and the rule was enforced.

In our own local force the evil has not yet been felt; but it must sooner or later make itself apparent, and it will be well to make provision in advance for the inevitable block which must sooner or later occur. How many of the eight or nine subalterns who at present hold commissions have the least chance of attaining the rank of colonel? Not one, if the rule of promotion by seniority is to obtain, merely tempered by an examination, and without any provision for the compulsory retirement of superior officers on attaining a certain fixed age or on the completion of a certain period of service. Such rules are in force in the Imperial service, and are absolutely necessary if junior officers are to have any prospect of rising beyond the rank of captain before they have become so old as to be almost hopelessly unfit for active duties in war. There is indeed another resource which, however, has never yet been found to work well, and will be condemned as almost impracticable by anyone who has the least knowledge either by experience or reading of the present working of our own Civil Service or of the Royal Navy some 60 or 70 years ago. That resource is promotion by selection, or, as it would be called in theory, by merit. Such a system, however theoretically excellent, has never been found to work even reasonably well in practice. It implies far too great a trust in the wisdom and impartiality of even the best men to suppose that the duty of selecting the fittest for promotion could be safely entrusted to any one, or even to a commission. In the first place, in time of peace, the ordinary routine duties of a regiment or battery are not of a kind to call forth the display of the higher military talents. The officer most likely to obtain the approval of his superiors is the steady plodder of moderate—very moderate, sometimes—ability, who never conceives an idea, and will not, on any account, step out of the beaten track laid down for him. Officers of that class are not at all the sort of men to distinguish themselves in the field. They will follow, indeed, but initiative is necessary in war. In every sort of physical contest the first effective blow is an earnest of victory, and the dull, plodding, humdrum officer is not the man to see his opponents' weak point, and strike at once without hesitation. There is even a greater danger—that of favouritism, conscious or unconscious. It is impossible for the selecting authority to be personally acquainted with the merits and demerits of every officer among a large number, and, nepotism apart, every human being has his preferences and antipathies which he will gratify quite unconscious that he may be doing injustice. Would it be possible, however, to avoid nepotism? Experience says distinctly "No." Even in the grand army of the First Napoleon it was rampant. With all the Emperor's own acuteness and determination to bestow his patronage only where it was deserved, and to keep open that *carrière ouverte aux talens*, which it was his boast to provide, he was dependent on the recommendations of his subordinates, and they took care their own friends and relatives should be first served. The Royal Navy was once a conspicuous instance of the same pernicious system. Not many years ago the best posts, the highest commands, the best ships of the navy were the monopoly of the members of half a dozen great families. Friendless officers could not hope to rise above the rank of commander, and thus equally in the French army and English Navy, the lower ranks of officers came to be crowded with middle-aged and elderly men, without the faintest hope of ever rising higher, without zeal for the service, and only caring to escape censure by the performance of their bare duty, and often, when it suited them, winking very hard indeed at irregularities. For the most part these were not men of shining abilities; such men are rare in any rank; but however great their abilities may have been in some instances, they needed opportunity to display them, and such opportunities do not occur in every soldier's life. "Adventures are to the adventurous," according to Lord Beaconsfield, but that scarcely holds good in a quiet garrison in a peaceful country, or at a distance from the theatre of war. Failing the opportunity for distinction, the friendless subaltern must remain a subaltern for ever, if promotion goes by favour, miscalled merit.

Of the two modes of promotion—by seniority and by favour (merit)—the former is distinctly to be preferred in spite of its cumbrous machinery. On the other hand, a compromise is quite possible free from the objections to which both are liable. It is quite possible to select, not those who shall, but those who shall not be promoted—to say, "If you can satisfy certain conditions you shall be entitled to take your turn for promotion, but you shall on no account get a step in rank before your turn. If, on the other hand, you have not qualified yourself for promotion when your turn comes, you shall not be allowed to block the way for more deserving men; you shall be removed." There need be no hardship in such a course of action so long as the tests made are not made unnecessarily stringent. If a stiff examination is required it should be made a condition for obtaining the first commission rather than for promotion. It is unjust to appoint men who may be stupid and incapable of mental exertion, or utterly unaccustomed to it, and then after they have held their commissions for years to bring them back to their books and make them cram for a ridiculous examination which they ought to have passed long before.

LATE CAPTAIN R.A.

ENCOUNTER WITH A LION.—A serious encounter with a lion took place at Cross' Menagerie, Liverpool. A Swiss named Bolomey, a lion tamer, in defiance of orders, entered the cage of a young Asiatic lion and commenced taming operations. The lion sprang upon him and seized him by the head, and it was with great difficulty that Bolomey was rescued by two other keepers. He was removed to the hospital suffering from severe scalp wounds and injuries to his arm and side.

FRY'S COCOA EXTRACT.—"Having the superfluous richness removed, this perfectly pure and digestible preparation meets the approval of the most fastidious taste."—British Trade Journal. Ford, Adams, and Co. are sole agents.—[ADVT.]

LAW REPORT.

METROPOLITAN QUARTER SESSIONS.

FRIDAY.

(*Before Mr. District Court Judge* WILKINSON.)

Mr. P. J. Healy prosecuted on behalf of the Crown.

SENTENCES.

Conrad Jockel and *Richard Hewitt*, who were on Wednesday convicted of having uttered a forged cheque, were brought in to receive sentence. Mr. Talkes, the prosecutor in the case, said he wished to make a statement to the Court. He had no doubt, from the circumstances connected with the uttering of the cheque, that Jockel was an innocent agent in the matter, and therefore he trusted his Honor would deal with that prisoner as leniently as he could. At the police court efforts had been made on the part of people interested in Hewitt to get him to abstain from prosecuting and indeed strong expressions had been used towards him. His Honor said that as to Jockel the lowest sentence he could pass was three years' imprisonment with hard labour, but inquiries would be made into the matter and probably something would follow. As to the guilt of the prisoner Hewitt he had no doubt, and he considered the line of defence set up, which was an attempt to blacken the character of Jockel in order that he (Hewett) might get out of the difficulty in which he had placed himself, was simply an aggravation of the offence. The prisoner Hewitt would be sentenced to four years' penal servitude.

Joseph Marron, a Frenchman, who had on the 11th instant pleaded guilty to having broken into the shop of Mary Gillick, at Liverpool, and stolen a cashbox containing 6s., was called up to receive sentence. Mr. Michel, interpreter, stated that he had examined certain papers found upon the person of the prisoner, and it was evident from them that he had been a prisoner in New Caledonia, but he had his discharge papers. The documents also showed that the prisoner had received a bullet wound in the defence of some people in New Caledonia, and for that conduct he had received commendation from the French military authorities and apparently had received a remission of his sentence. His Honor said as that was the prisoner's first offence in this colony, and as the offence of which he had pleaded guilty was not of a very grave nature, he would inflict upon him the lowest sentence the law allowed, and that was imprisonment for three years, with hard labour.

Elizabeth Murphy, who had pleaded guilty to having stolen £37, and *Emily May Batten*, *Henry Kingston*, and *William Batten*, who had been convicted of having received the money knowing it to have been stolen, were called up for sentence. The prisoner May Batten, who had a child in her arms, said that she had two other young children, and if she were sent to gaol she did not know what would become of them. His Honor sentenced the prisoner Murphy to be imprisoned and kept to hard labour for 18 months, and the other prisoners to be imprisoned and kept to hard labour for three years. He would, he said, communicate with the gaoler with a view to the children of the woman Batten being looked after.

ABSENT PROSECUTOR.

Mary Ryan, who had been committed to take her trial on a charge of stealing, and had pleaded not guilty, was called up. Mr. Healy said that the prosecutor in that case was absent, and was not likely to appear in that or any other court, and under the circumstances he would consent to her being discharged on her own recognisances. The accused was then bound over in the sum of £40 to appear whenever she might be called upon to take her trial.

AN ABSENT WITNESS.

In the case of *Patrick Hynes* and *Frank Scott*, who had been committed for trial of a charge of stealing, the prisoners were, owing to the absence of a material witness, liberated on their own recognisances to appear at the next sessions.

CASES POSTPONED.

Andrew Shea, who had been committed for trial on a charge of assault, applied on affidavit for a postponement of the trial until the next sessions, on the ground that a certain material witness on his behalf was absent from the colony. Mr. Levien appeared for the accused. The Crown Prosecutor not objecting, the application was granted, and the Court directed that the accused should be admitted to bail.

Sydney Warren, *William Warren*, *Michael Fitzgibbon*, and *James Dixon*, four boys, were charged with having, on the 14th November, feloniously and maliciously wounded John Maddigan. On a second count in the information defendants were charged with a common assault. Mr. Hill appeared for the Warrens, and Mr. Williamson for the other defendants. The Warrens pleaded guilty to the second count in the information, and the other boys pleaded not guilty. The trial of Fitzgibbon and Dixon was postponed until the next Quarter Sessions, and the defendants were required to enter into bonds for their appearance then. The boys Warren were called upon to find sureties for their appearance when called upon during the next three years to receive judgment.

CHARGE OF FALSE PRETENCES.

Ernest Stacey Hellier, a young man, was charged with having at Sydney, on the 12th October, obtained by false pretences three hams from James H. Butchardt, with intent to defraud. Mr. Levien defended the accused. It was alleged that the prisoner went to the establishment of Messrs. John Frazer and Co., in York-street, and and by falsely representing that he had been authorised by Mr. Thomas F. Thompson, wine and spirit merchant, to obtain three hams, he obtained those goods. Mr. Levien contended that there was no absolute proof of any false pretence. The jury found the prisoner not guilty. Mr. Healey said there were two other charges against the defendant, but he would not proceed with them, but would apply for the accused to be bound over to appear to take his trial whenever he might be called upon to do so. The accused having accordingly entered into his own recognisance, was discharged.

BREAKING INTO A JEWELLER'S SHOP.

Thomas Bassett was charged with having, on the 23rd September, broken into the shop of Thomas Brown Forster Smith, having stolen therefrom 36 finger rings, 60 watch chains, 5 necklets, 2 photographs, 37 watches, 5 brooches, 17 lockets, 6 bank notes, and other property. The accused was defended by Mr. T. M. Williamson. The prosecutor carried on business as a jeweller at the corner of Oxford and Riley streets. His shop was broken into on the night of the 23rd September. When Mr. Forster arrived at 9 o'clock on the morning of the 24th September he found that the door, which had been secured with a double-bolted lock, was open, one bolt of the lock having been forced back with a picklock or skeleton key, and the other bolt having been broken. A very large quantity of goods had been stolen from his shop. It was proved that the prisoner had disposed of some of the stolen property, and that when he was arrested he was in possession of a number of burglars' implements. The jury found the prisoner guilty. It appeared that he had served a sentence of 12 months' imprisonment for stealing and two other sentences of five years (concurrent) on charges of breaking, entering, and stealing, and burglary. His Honor said he considered the verdict of the jury a very proper one, and then sentenced the prisoner to seven years' penal servitude.

Appellate Jurisdiction.—(*Before Mr. District Court Judge* WILKINSON.)

POLICE V. WILD.

Bridget Wild, married woman, appealed against the decision of Mr. Dillon, S.M., in having, at the Central Police Court, on the 10th November, convicted her of having on the 9th June stolen a watch and gold Albert chain, valued at £16 and alleged to be the property of Frederick Rees, and for which offence she was sentenced to six months' imprisonment with hard labour. Mr. Heydon, instructed by Mr. W. Roberts, jun., appeared for the appellant; and Mr. P. J. Healy in support of the conviction. Amongst the grounds upon which the appeal was based were these: That the watch and gold albert having been lost, or reasonably supposed by the defendant to have been lost came into her possession by finding, without her knowing at the time who was the owner thereof; that there was no evidence against the defendant of felonious intent; that the conviction was illegal. Mr. Heydon argued that, inasmuch as the value of the property exceeded 40s., the jurisdiction of the Police Court was ousted, section 11 of the 19th Victoria, 24, providing that magistrates should not have the power of summarily dealing with cases of larceny where the money or property exceeded 40s. in value. Under the Criminal Law Consolidation Act the magistrates were given extended powers in cases of that nature, but although that case was tried after the date upon which the new Act came into operation, the alleged offence was committed before the 1st July. The evidence having been read by Mr. Beaver, deputy clerk of the peace, Mr. Heydon argued that the facts of the case showed that there was no felonious intention on the part of the appellant. His Honor said it seemed to him that if there was anything in the objection raised as to the jurisdiction of the lower court to deal summarily with the case, that objection might also affect the jurisdiction of that Court in reference to dealing with the appeal. He would consider the law and facts of the case and would give judgment on Monday.

The Court was then adjourned until 10 o'clock on Monday morning.

POLICE.

CENTRAL POLICE COURT.

Mr. Dillon, S.M., presided in the Charge Court, yesterday.

Kate Spallen was sent to gaol for three months for having unlawfully assaulted one Marian Salat.

William Quigley, *George Purcell*, *Thomas Gibbins*, three young men, were charged on warrant with having unlawfully assaulted a Chinaman named Pan Sung. Mr. Williamson appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. Oliver for the defence. Sergeant Richard Roden and Constable James Curry gave evidence regarding the arrest of the prisoners. Pan Sung, the prosecutor, deposed: He resided at Botany; on the 12th instant he saw three men in Harris-street; he was proceeding along that street in a cart when they threw stones at him; he jumped down from the vehicle with a pitchfork which he had with him, and one of them knocked him down and kicked him on the left cheek; they then ran away; a spectator took witness' part, and a constable subsequently removed him to the hospital. By Mr. Oliver: The prisoners bore a great resemblance to the men who struck him; he was rendered insensible; the three men threw stones at him. William Bradley deposed: He was a resident medical officer at the Sydney Hospital; on the 12th December the prosecutor was brought by a constable to the hospital; he examined him and found a contused wound on his left cheek, also one on his right lower jaw: his nose had been bleeding; he was very faint and exhausted; his clothes were covered with blood; a blow with a heavy stick or a stone, or even a kick, would have caused such wounds. Mary Ann Hesketh deposed: She resided at Darling Harbour; on the 12th instant she saw the prisoners in Harris-street, Ultimo, and a Chinaman with a pitchfork in his hand; two of the prisoners were holding the Chinaman, and the other one was striking him; they afterwards released him and threw stones at him; a man subsequently came up to them and knocked one of them down, and they then threw stones at him; the Chinaman was covered with blood. By Mr. Oliver: She had never seen the prisoners before; she was not mistaken as regards their identity; she did not know whether the Chinaman did anything with the pitchfork. James M'Nash deposed: He resided in Harris-street; on the 12th instant he saw the prisoner Purcell and Quigley throwing stones at a Chinaman: the latter had a pitchfork, with which he was trying to ward the stones off; it was a savage attack; he believed that Gibbins was there. By Mr. Oliver: He did not witness the beginning of the row. William Hesketh deposed: He saw the three prisoners assaulting the prosecutor in Harris-street on the date in question; Gibbins held him, and the other two prisoners kicked him. Thomas O'Connor deposed: He knew the prisoners; on the 12th instant he saw them in Harris-street beating a Chinaman; they struck the Chinaman, and also threw stones at him; witness interfered with them and knocked Gibbins down; they then attacked him; the Chinaman was bleeding at the time. Other evidence having been taken, Mr. Dillon said that he considered the prisoners had behaved in a most cowardly manner. He sentenced them each to imprisonment for six months.

WATER POLICE COURT.

In the Charge Court the bench was occupied by Mr. J. Buchanan, S.M., yesterday.

Several persons were punished for minor offences.

Michael Buckley, carrier, was charged with having stolen a cask of ale, valued at £1 16s., the property of William Jenkins, Picton Arms, Campbell-street. It appears that prosecutor left the ale in his yard. It was missed and he did not see it again. Prisoner endeavoured to sell the ale to J. Clark, landlord of the Criterion Hotel, but he was not successful, and afterwards he was seen with some companions taking bucketfuls into a paddock and drinking it. He was sentenced to six months' imprisonment.

Alfred James, alias *John M'Girty*, alias *Charles Watson*, was charged with having stolen 138 yards of serge, the property of Warne and Reid, No. 2, Wynyard-street. Yesterday week prisoner was arrested on the charge, by Detective Williams. He asked what was the matter, and was told it was "the old game," and that he would have to go to the police station. The detective now produced three rolls of serge which he had received from an assistant of Wallach Brothers, clothiers. C. K. Moore, warehouseman, said he believed the serge was the property of Warne and Reid, as on the 8th instant three pieces of a similar description were missed from the door of their premises; the stuff was worth 1s. 11½d. a yard, and the three pieces were worth £10. Henry Wallach, a member of the firm of Wallach Brothers, Lower George-street, swore that he purchased the serge produced from prisoner; he paid 2½d. a yard for it; he had been 20 years in the clothing business, but had never had such serge in his possession before, and he did not know its value; prisoner informed him that he had obtained the serge at auction in Melbourne, and that he had paid 1½d. a yard for it. Prisoner was committed for trial at the Quarter Sessions. He was also charged with having stolen two cases of brandy, the property of Charles Tennant and Co. Thomas Carrick, landing waiter in connection with the Custom House, said that in the early part of the month he landed from the Darling Downs 145 cases of brandy for C. Tennant, to be bonded at the Australian Bond. Charles Tennant said that he had missed two of the cases, and he believed that the two cases produced were the same, because the boxes and wrappers corresponded with others in his possession. Andrew Eckman, landlord of the Governor Bourke Hotel, deposed to prisoner having offered him for sale some brandy similar to that produced, and to his having bought a case for £1 8s. Detective Williams gave evidence of his having discovered paper, straw envelopes, and broken brandy-bottles in premises occupied by the prisoner, and of their being similar to those missed by Mr. Tennant. On this charge also prisoner was committed for trial.

George Elliott Alvaro, pastrycook, was charged with bigamy. The prisoner was arrested by Sergeant Higgins. Ellen Alvaro said that prisoner was her husband. They were married in Melbourne on February 18, 1873. They lived together until about five weeks ago, when prisoner left her and her four children in Melbourne. She followed him to Sydney, and upon her taking out a warrant against him for desertion he consented to an order for 25s. a week. In cross-examination witness admitted that prisoner had formerly been an excellent husband to her; he had suffered from drink and fits, and on one occasion he had informed her that while he was out of his senses he had married another girl Elizabeth Bridget Conn, aged 16, and a mere child in appearance, deposed that she lived at 20, Harrington-street; the prisoner was her husband; she was married to him on July 22nd, by the Rev. John Osborne; she knew prisoner for about two months before the marriage, and he then represented himself to be a single man. In cross-examination by prisoner the witness said that they were married at night, and that the prisoner had desired that the marriage should be postponed for six months; it was in fact postponed from a Wednesday to a Saturday. Mary Ann Coon, mother of the last witness, deposed that she was a witness to the marriage of the prisoner with her daughter. John Osborne, Wesleyan minister of York-street and Princes-street, said that the second marriage was solemnised by him at the Wesleyan parsonage, Princes-street; prisoner represented himself to be a single man, and at the time was sober. The marriage certificates of each marriage were produced, and after some other formal evidence had been taken, prisoner was committed for trial at the next Central Criminal Court.

In the Summons Court, Mr. Addison occupied the bench. At the instance of Inspector Seymour, a number of persons were punished for breaches of municipal bylaws. For having filthy premises, *Frederick Somers*, Little Elizabeth-street, was fined £5; *Wm. Hanson*, 85, Cumberland-street, and *Francis M'Mahon*, 648, George-street, were fined £3 each; and *Albert Burry*, 91, Forbes-street, was fined £2. *Wm. Ross* was fined 5s. for throwing orange-peel on a public footway.

In the case of James P. Oliver v. *Margaret Ferguson*, assault, defendant was bound over to keep the peace towards the complainant for six months, herself in £30, and one surety of £30, costs 6s. 6d., or in default one month. With the exception of an unimportant one, the other cases on the list were postponed or dismissed.

LAND BOARDS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I have carefully read a letter that appeared in this morning's *Herald* re the local land boards, and signed "J.P." It is the most amusing production I have read on the land question.

"J. P." in his letter says we have not the material in the country whereof to form land boards. This is a very sweeping assertion to make, that we have not men in the country that are fit to adjudicate on land matters. I say that no man is more fit for a position on our land boards than a man who has had practical experience on the land—a man who can tell whether a brush fence is worth £10 or £30 per mile, whether the carrying capabilities of a run are one sheep to the acre or a sheep to four acres. Such men as these can be found in the country, and whose decisions would be just and impartial.

"J. P." goes on and says our men who would be efficient are too busy with their own affairs. As we have not the material in the country that members of land boards are made of, where are "J. P.'s" men that are efficient to come from? His letter points straight to the fact that he is no friend of the free selector, for he says the selectors wish to have the boards elected, that they may make a certainty of putting their own men on the boards. Now, Mr. Spring, in his very able speech on the land question, said he could smell a dummy, but I think I can smell a squatter of a most portentous size. I have no doubt there are a few who have been used to acquiring land in very doubtful ways, that are afraid of land boards, because they will spoil their little game. Commissioners' courts have been condemned throughout the length and breadth of New South Wales, and very justly too. It is true they were held in open court, but the commissioner merely sat there and took down whatever evidence was given before him, and forwarded it to the Minister for Lands. It is well known that parties who were in danger of losing their land through non-compliance with the Act, have brought forward evidence that would do. How could the commissioner judge between truth and falsehood? To give you some idea what will be done to get land, I will give you a case in point. A squatter, whom we will call Woolpack, wished to secure 320 acres of grand agricultural land from the free selectors. He took it up in the name of a neighbour's son called James, but when Mr. Woolpack asked James to transfer the land to him, James refused; but not to be outdone, Mr. Woolpack takes another son of his neighbour's called John, to the land office where John personated his brother James, and transferred the land to Mr. Woolpack. James when speaking of the case to me said, I can do nothing in the matter without punishing my brother, and well Woolpack knew that. How many more cases are there of the same kind that have not been made public? When men will have recourse to tricks like these to get land, it is evident they will not be particular as to the evidence they will give before a commissioner. The people are heartily sick of those courts, and look upon them as a farce, and a useless expenditure of public money, and consider land boards a step in the right direction. To give general satisfaction the whole of the members should be appointed by the Governor, and no man appointed unless he has a practical knowledge of land. The great success in passing the second reading of the Land Bill was owing to the principle of land boards being embodied in it, and I feel sure that the boards will be a great success, and will entirely do away with that ointment called "palm grease."

Trusting you will excuse my taking up so much of your valuable space.

I am, &c.,

MAGH.

Sydney, December 19.

LOOK HERE, LADIES.—For Suits for your Boys or Hats and Dresses for your Daughters you must visit Riley Brothers if you wish to get a good serviceable article for a very little money. Don't forget this when you are shopping to-day.—[ADVT.]

A WONDERFUL sight may be witnessed to-day at Fuller's Christmas Card Exhibition. Very few persons who have not actually seen would believe so many persons could be served at one time in the Hall, but seeing is believing. See. Open from 8 a.m. till midnight.—[ADVT.]

DEPUTATIONS.

ESKBANK POST AND TELEGRAPH OFFICE.

A deputation, consisting of Mr. Sutherland, M.L.A., Mr. Targett, M.L.A., Mr. Hughes, and Mr. Turnbull, waited on the Postmaster-General yesterday, to urge on him the necessity for better postal and telegraphic arrangements for Eskbank, and suggested that it would be better to procure a site about midway between Lithgow and Eskbank, on which to erect a post-office convenient for both places.

Mr. TRICKETT promised to give the representations every consideration, and, if possible, to meet the wishes of the Lithgow people; and also to send an inspector to the locality to report on the desirability of adopting the suggestion as to a combined site.

CORPORATION WANTS.

A deputation, consisting of Messrs. John Harris, M. Chapman, and George Merriman, Ms.L.A., and Alderman Matthew Harris, waited on the Hon. the Minister for Works yesterday, with reference to the construction of a branch tramway to Pyrmont, along Harris-street. The deputation pointed out that this matter had lain in abeyance for some time past, and the residents of that part of the city deserved some consideration at the hands of the Government, because they had long laboured under the disadvantage of the Pyrmont Bridge toll. This tax, however, would, it was hoped, be removed soon, in consequence of a recent decision of the Supreme Court against the Pyrmont Bridge Company. The construction of this tramway had been decided upon, and was only delayed in consequence of a slight hitch between the Government and the corporation. The latter asked the Government to lay wooden cubes along Harris-street, and the dispute was as to who should bear the expense. The matter was important on account of the great traffic along this street.

Mr. WRIGHT said that the cost of making this road with cubes would be £45,000, and he would not be justified in expending that money. The Government must refuse to undertake any of this work unless some mutual arrangement were come to between the council and the Government. The Government were willing to make the tramway and pitch the road 18 inches on each side of it; but if they did this, there would certainly be an agitation, and probably a successful one, to have the whole road paved with wooden blocks. The expenditure altogether would be quite £60,000, and he did not think the traffic justified anything like that. He was speaking in the interests of the public, and so he would say he was willing to construct the tramway, provided some definite arrangement was made between the council and the Government as to the construction of the road with wooden blocks. He would cause a correspondence to be opened up with the town clerk on the matter.

The deputation then asked the Minister to construct a high-level bridge over the railway, Darling Harbour, at William Henry-street. This matter had also remained for some time in abeyance, owing to a dispute between the Government and the corporation as to who should pay for making the approaches to the bridge. The Government ought to undertake this work in the interests of public safety.

Mr. WRIGHT said that no doubt a bridge at William Henry-street would be a great boon to Pyrmont, and that the Government were willing to spend £5000 or £6000 on it if the corporation would form the approaches. He would get a full report on the matter from the officers of his Department, and communicate further with the council.

RAILWAY EXTENSION.

A deputation, consisting of Mr. M'Hattie, M.L.A., Messrs. Fergusson, Abigail, and Coonan, Ms.L.A., and Messrs. J. B. Kelly and W. Sawyer, waited upon the Minister for Works to ask that a branch railway line should be constructed from Bourke to Brewarrina. They based their request upon the magnitude of the wool and cattle trade of the country to be traversed, and said that even if the line cost the extreme sum of £200,000, it would pay 10 per cent. even in the first year.

Mr. WRIGHT replied, and said that this matter had been brought under his notice before, and that it should now receive his best consideration. He could not pledge the Government to any undertaking, but he would do his best to do justice to Brewarrina.

GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

The following notifications appear in yesterday's *Gazette*:—

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.—Monday, the 24th instant, is declared a public holiday in the districts of Albury, Deniliquin, and Narrabri. The Government departments will be closed for the Christmas holidays from noon on Monday, the 24th, to Wednesday, the 26th instant, inclusive.

PETTY SESSIONS.—The Court of Petty Sessions hitherto held at Canonbar, within the Dubbo police district, is abolished.

APPOINTMENTS.—Mr. Robert Smyth Cranna to be a field assistant on the permanent staff of the survey branch of the Lands Department; Mr. Robert Henry Burt to be a field assistant on the permanent staff of the survey branch of the Lands Department; Mr. Frank Leng to be a clerk in the Lands Department; Mr. John Waterhouse, M.A. (Sydney University), to be head master of the Public High school for boys at West Maitland; Miss Marion O'Brien to be an assistant teacher in the Public High school for girls, Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

TRUSTEES.—The following trustees of lands have been appointed:—Roman Catholic burial ground—Right Rev. William Lanigan, Rev. William Birmingham, Messrs. Thomas Newton, John Rudd, and Jeremiah Quinn. Mr. William E. Langley to be a trustee, in the place of the late William Tunks, of the land at Lavender Bay, St. Leonards, dedicated for baths and public recreation. Waddai Temporary Common—Messrs. Daniel Galvin, James Slattery, John Lander, Thomas Beaumont, and Keiran C. Cummings.

ACCEPTED TENDERS.—The following tenders for the supply of telegraph material for the use of the Electric Telegraph Department have been accepted:—Messrs. John Slater and Co., 2000 corks and tubes, large, at 1d. each; 2000 ditto ditto, small, at 1d. each; 20 tons bluestone, at £26 per ton; 5 tons magnesia, at £9 per ton; 4 tons Morse instrument tape, at 6d. per lb.; 4000 bottles Morse instrument ink, at 9½d. per bottle; 15 miles single-coated G. P. wire, at £8 14s. per mile; 3 tons No. 15, extra best best galvanised iron charcoal annealed wire, at £29 per ton. Mr. John M'Farlane, 2000 main battery zincs, 3¾ inches deep, No. 7 gauge, at 10d. each; 2000 main battery zincs, 2¾ inches deep, No. 7 gauge, at 8d. each; 400 sets local battery cells, copper, at 7s. 5d. each; 5000 local battery zincs at 6d. each; 500 local battery binding screws, at 9d. each. Messrs. Cowan and Co., 144 reams double demy, 44lb., at 16s. 6d. per ream. Mr. John M'Donald, 3000 main battery cells, large (complete), 3-16 inch, zinc, at 4s. 3d. each; 500 porcelains, for shackles, at 2s. per pair. Messrs. Milne Bros., 5000 main battery zincs, 4½ inches deep, 3-16 thick, at 11½d. each; Messrs. Kabone, Fees, and Co., 10 miles double-coated G.P. wire, at £23 15s. per mile; Messrs. M'Cabe and Nixon, 2000 main battery cells, small (complete), at 3s. 5½d. each; Messrs. Jones and Hooke, 20,000 main battery coppers, at 2s. 3d. per dozen; Mr. G. Thompson, 2000 main battery connections, at 3½d. each; Mr. S. Firkin, blacksmith's work required during the year 1884, at 2½d. per lb. The undermentioned tenders in connection with public schools have been accepted:—Kylstone, additions and repairs—W. Taylor, £605; Rocky Mouth, additions and repairs, H. E. Sault, £235; Muttama, wooden building—E. H. Woodhouse, £186; Gardener's-road, fencing site—G. Shooter, £196 5s. The undermentioned tenders have also been accepted by the Government:—Mort's Dock and Engineering Company—The supply of 12 water cranes. Mr. Stephen Glasson—The supply of rolling stock required for the ensuing five years, contract No. 10 Great Southern and Western lines. Mr. Robert A. Ritchie—The supply of rolling stock required for the ensuing five years, contracts Nos. 7 and 8, Southern and Western lines; and contracts Nos. 6a, 7a, 8a, 9a, and 10a, Great Northern line. Messrs. Hudson Brothers, Limited—The supply of rolling stock required for the ensuing five years, contracts Nos. 6 and 9, Great Southern and Western Railways.

TRADES AND LABOUR COUNCIL.

The usual fortnightly meeting of the Trades and Labour Council of New South Wales was held at the Royal Hyde Park Hotel on Thursday night. Mr. John Talbot (vice-president) occupied the chair, and the following societies were represented:—Sydney Wharf Labourers, Ironmoulders, Newcastle Labour League, Journeymen Butchers, Stonemasons, Curriers, Glassmakers, Painters, Quarrymen, Shipwrights, Bricklayers, Typographical Association, Seamen's Union, Esk Bank Ironmoulders, Masters and Engineers, Tinsmiths and Sheet Ironworkers, Progressive Carpenters-Joiners, Hunter River Miners, and Amalgamated Plumbers. A communication was received from Mr. C. A. Goodchap in reply to a letter forwarded by the council asking why second class passengers from Eveleigh to Newtown were charged 1d., while from Newtown to Eveleigh the sum of 2d. was expected. The letter explained that the fare from Newtown had been charged in error, the booking clerk fancying the distance between the two places to be nearly two miles, and issuing Sydney tickets to passengers from Eveleigh charged the Sydney rate, but that he had been supplied with tickets to Eveleigh and was directed to make the correct charge. A letter was received from Mr. W. Frazer Martin re emergency lectures, and informing the council that Professor Anderson Stuart had consented to alternate nights, and that application was being made for the use of the large hall of the School of Arts for the delivery of the lectures. A report was received from the New Zealand Trades and Labour Council, showing the state of the labour market in that colony. Mr. West, on behalf of the Trades Hall committee, reported that a meeting of the Trades Hall conference, attended by representatives from 11 societies, was held on Friday last, and that the meeting was unanimous with regard to the necessity for erecting a trades hall, but the course of action to be taken in reference to the matter would not be decided upon till the next meeting. After some discussion the report was adopted. A motion was moved to the effect that the committee should be discharged, and a lengthy discussion ensued, after which the motion was put, and lost. Messrs. West and Mitchell were appointed as auditors to audit the last half-year's accounts. It was resolved that the council's patronage should be accorded to the Juvenile Industrial Exhibition now being held at Parramatta. A further donation of £30 was received from the Hunter River Miners' Association, on behalf of the butchers on strike. Mr. Symons moved that a committee should be appointed to report upon a bill now before the Legislature for power to increase the number of subjects taught by the senate of the Sydney University. After some discussion, the motion lapsed. This concluded the business, and the meeting terminated.

COMMERCIAL.

WOOL, PRODUCE, AND STOCK REPORT.

WOOL.—The wool sales continue to be marked with a good deal of animation. The catalogues are still very large, but they contain fewer lots of prime quality than were offered at some of the previous sales. By their brisk competition, and the result of the sales, it is shown that the buyers still have orders, and are prepared to do business where the wool is not held for excessive reserves. The large proportion of some of the catalogues of the season withdrawn shows that this has been a feature of the wool season. Although some considerable lots have been kept back for sale this week, still on the whole considerable proportions of the catalogues have been placed, and publicly and privately 9500 bales have been quitted. Medium to good lots of greasy brought 9½d. to 11½d., others from 6½d.; fleece, fair 15½d. to 17½d., good to 20½d., scoured from 15d. to 20½d.; greasy bellies and pieces, 4½d. to 9½d.

SHEEPSKINS.—There was little or no change in the value of skins at the sales of the week. Best full-woolled sold at 5½d. to 6½d., medium 4d. to 5d., pelts from 3½d.

TALLOW.—At the public sales, yesterday, 323 casks were offered, and 241 sold. The demand was active, and last week's rates were maintained. Prime mutton quoted £33 10s. to £34, and best beef £32 to £33.

HIDES.—6186 were offered at this week's sales, and 4800 were sold. Extra heavy were in good demand, but for others the inquiry was less active. Quotations: Extra heavy, 4d. to 4½d.; medium, 3½d. to 3¾d.; and light, from 3d.; dry hides, from 3½d. to 4½d. Horsehides sell freely at from 3s. to 6s. 6d. Kangaroo skins in demand at from 5s. to 10s. for small, 12s. to 20s. for medium, and 18s. to 30s. per dozen for large.

HORNS AND BONES.—Horns at last sales did not bring quite so much as at those of the previous week. Sound large ones may be quoted as worth 25s. to 35s. per 100; medium, 15s. to 20s. per 100; and tips, from 3s. per 100. Bones may be quoted at £4 to £6 for common, and from £6 to £11 for shanks.

HAIR.—All lots offering are freely taken at quotations. Horse tail, 14d. to 16d.; mane, 9d. to 10d.; cow, 4d. to 6½d.

BEESWAX dearer, being sold at 9d. to 12d., and in good demand.

LEATHER.—In the leather market business continues without life. Quotations are for kip, 11d. to 16d.; sole, 8d. to 9d.; calf, 24d. to 30d.; calf tweed, 22d. to 28d.; cow tweed, 17d. to 21d.; harness, 10d. to 12d. per lb.; bag, 8s. to 10s.; bridle, 8s. to 10s. per side. Basils, 5s. to 12s. 6d. per dozen.

STORE CATTLE.—Stagnation still characterises the market for store cattle. Buyers are not anxious to do business while the dry weather continues.

STORE SHEEP.—Except in the southern districts, there is very little demand for store sheep. Sales have been made there, but, generally owing to the want of rain, business is almost at a standstill.

STATIONS.—The Wongagong station, together with purchased and secured land, was sold during the week for £4500, otherwise no business transpired. A rather better inquiry is noted for small well-secured properties in good situations.

MESSRS. BRUNKER AND WOLFE'S REPORT.

Fat Cattle: 1590 yarded for the week. The market was firm at an advance of 15s per head for prime quality; best pens of bullocks made to £10, ditto cows £8 5s, or equal to 22s per 100lb. We sold: 144 bullocks (E. Parnell) at £7 2s 6d, 45 cows ditto at £5 14s 6d, 1 bullock (W. Pearse) at £7 1s. Maitland—55 bullocks (M. Parker) £6 3s to £10, 21 cows (ditto) £3 14s to £6 4s, 20 cows (F. Parbury) £4 10s to £5 15s, 18 bullocks (J. Moore) £4 7s to £5, 58 bullocks (R. W. Doyle) £6 17s to £8 8s, 3 at £3, 5 mixed (Bunduck) to £7 6s, 28 cows (J. Whitten) £3 14s to £6, 25 bullocks (ditto) £4 9s to £5 12s, 18 bullocks (J. Drinan) £5 10s to £8 17s. 29 cows (ditto) £3 14s to £5 19s, 4 cows (A. Munro) at £6 1s, 7 bullocks (J. Dines) £7 16s to £8 14s, 7 cows (W. J. Dangar) £5 14s to £10 7s 6d, 6 bullocks (Donohoe) £6 6s to £6 15s, 52 mixed to £3 15s, 28 bullocks (Dangar Brothers) £5 15s to £6 7s, 41 bullocks (Bucknell Brothers) £5 6s to £6 8s, 24 bullocks (J. Scorl) £7 to £7 9s, 48 bullocks (G. P. Bowman) £4 4s to £6 [illegible], 16 cows (ditto) to £1 12s, 7 cows (J. Missman) £4 6s, 26 bullocks (ditto) £3 16s to £5 8s, 21 bullocks (J. P. Luke) to £5 11s, 4 cows (ditto) £3 19s, 19 bullocks (Gallagher) £4 15s to £7 5s, 27 steers and heifers £2 5s to £5, 2 cows (Burgess) £4 19s, 39 mixed to £5 15s. Fat Sheep: 35,210 penned for the week, this number being far in excess of requirements. The market was very dull, and prices the lowest we have seen this year. We sold (A. Bowman's) crossbred ewes at 9s 3d to 12s 3d; ditto wethers, 12s; merino wethers 10s 3d; 1533 crossbred wethers (Dangar Brothers) at 12s to 14s 1d, (Cunningham's) ewes at 9s, (Smith's) wethers at 6s 4d. Maitland (Parker's) wethers at 8s 9d to 10s 3d, (ditto) ewes at 8s, (Key's) mixed at 8s 1d to 10s 9d, (Doyle's) wethers at 8s 6d, (Amdello) wethers at 8s to 8s 6d, (ditto) ewes at 7s, (Lawrence's) ewes at 5s to 6s, (Davies') wethers at 13s 3d to 13s 9d, (Gardiner's) wethers 9s 6d, (Dangar Brothers) mixed at 9s 6d to 15s, (Parker's) ewes at 7s to 7s 2d, (Cunningham's) ewes at 8s 5d to 10s 6d. Fat Lambs: Market well supplied; prime quality sold well. We sold 120 (C. Key's) at 14s 3d, 72 (Cunningham's) at 12s 6d, 29 (Smith's) at 10s 6d, 95 (R. H. Smith's) at 8s 6d, 40 (Britten's) at 10s, 72 (Poole's) at 8s 9d to 7s, 15 (Collins') at 8s. Fat Calves: Best forward to 30s, others from 15s up. We sold (Cobcroft's) at 27s 6d to £2 6s, (Key's) at 18s £2 12s, (Heaton's) at 22s 6d to 31s, (Hollingworth's) at 16s to 27s, (Glover's) at 27s, (Wilson's) at 35s, (Keegan's) at 12s to 33s, (Grady's) at 19s to 24s. Fat Pigs: Full supply forward and prices unaltered. We sold 250 for various owners from 15s to £3 3s.—[ADVT.]

PROPERTY SALES.

Messrs. Richardson and Wrench sold by auction and private contract, at their Rooms, Pitt-street, during the week, the following properties:—Residence, No. 39, West-street, Darlinghurst, £415—Mrs. Hevers, purchaser; Enmore Estate subdivision, Enmore, lots 17, 18, and 19, sec. 3, 60 feet frontage, £450—Mrs. J. Fidding; sec. 2, lot 28, having 20 feet frontage, £140—Mr. R. Gellentely; sec. 2, lot 29, 20 feet frontage, £140—Mr. R. Murray; Underwood Estate subdivision, Homebush, sec. 14, lot 9, having 100 feet frontage, £325, sec. 14, lot 8, having 100 feet frontage, £350—Mr. H. A. Perkins; Milson's subdivision, St. Leonards; sec. 5, lot 2, having 33 feet frontage, £231—Mr. R. A. Arnold; sec. 5, lot 17, having 33 feet frontage, £231—Mrs. Susannah Dessaix; lots 3 and 4, sec. 13a, Township of West Kempsey, Macleay River, £150—Mr. W. T. Dangar; allotment of land at Camperdown, having 32 feet frontage to Rose-street, £112—Mr. G. Blundell; block of land, portion of Mount Ramsay Estate subdivision, near Narrabeen, £65—Mr. Obed West, sen.; lot 8, sec. G, Hancock's Garden subdivision, Botany, having 40 feet frontage, £25 — Mr. G. Anderson; and on the ground, on Saturday afternoon last, leasehold allotments of land, portion of Reynolds' subdivision, at rentals ranging from £6 to £10 per lot per annum.

Messrs. Cox and Tate report having sold by public auction, at their rooms and on the ground, also by private contract, the following properties since last report:—Solway-terrace, 5 houses, Walter-street, Paddington, £2400—Mr. Lawler, purchaser; Tattersall's Hotel, Argyle-street, Moss Vale, £2800—Mr. John Cullen; cottage and land, Eveleigh-street, £415—Mr. T. B. Dent; block of land, No. 10, sec. 2, Bong Bong Estate, Moss Vale, 2a. 0r. 8ip., £275; block of land, containing 2a. 3r. 27 perches, Father Therry's Estate, Kogarah, £160—Mr. J. Warren; Clarendon Estate, Watson's Bay, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, each 40 feet to Old South Head-road, at 15s; lots 5 to 15, each 35 feet to Clarendon-street at 16s; lots in Brighton Estate at £24 15s to £50; 10 allotments of land, Kogarah, £65 5s; lot 25, sec. 7, Angel Inn estate, Burwood, 50 feet to Willes street, at £2 per foot, £100—J. F. Wilshire; lot 14, sec. 1, Broughton's subdivision, £15—Mr. Charles Gill; allotment of land, 25 feet Nelson-street, North Annandale, £4 5s per foot, £106 5s—Mr. C. Albion; the Clifford Estate, Coogee: lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6d, each 35 feet 7 inches to Perouse-street, at 22s to 28s 6d per foot; lots 7 and 8, at 31s; lots 9 to 18, each 22 feet to Clifford-street, at 18s 6d to £2 per foot; lot 23, Brighton Estate, £24 15s—Mr. T. Kindley.

Messrs. Hardie and Gorman have sold the following properties by public auction and private contract during the week:—City property, the Police Office Hotel, situate at the corner of York and Druitt streets, £10,250—purchasers, the Excelsior Land and Building Company and Bank, Limited; Auburn, a block of land containing an area of 39a. 2r. 31 p., being lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10, sec. 12, of the Chisholm Estate, £3572 17s; an undivided third contingent interest in that block of land, corner of George and Bond streets, £2250; Leichhardt, twenty-five (25) allotments in the Helsarmel Estate, at prices ranging from 30s per foot, £1062; South Head, a block of land, containing an area of 5a. 35p., being a grant to G. C. Tuting, £260 18s 9d; Macdonaldtown, a block of land having 90 feet frontage to Prospect-street, with w. b. dwelling, £247 10s., Mr. Croker; Balmain, a block of land having 20 feet 1 inch frontage to Balmain-street, £100 8s. 4d., Mrs. Jones; Greenwich, a block of land having 40 feet frontage to Charlotte-road, £64, Mr. Weir; 72 shares in the Anglo-Australian Land, Finance, and Investment Company, Limited, £59 8s., Mr. Kent; Summer Hill, a block of land fronting Chapman-street, £76; Auburn, three blocks of land, having each 20 feet frontage to Langtry-avenue, £68; total sales, £18,000.

Messrs. Batt, Rodd, and Purves sold yesterday, by private contract, Mrs. O'Connel's portion of the Broomfield Estate, Bowral, for £2600—Mr. S. Hordern, purchaser.

WOOL SALES.—FRIDAY.

By Mort and Co., Limited.—— over B, 8 bales grease at 11½d per lb.; J over DN, 7 grease at 8½d; N over Inglewood, 8 grease at 11d; JD over R, 9 grease at 10½d; BS over B, 7 grease at 9½d; M over 33, 5 grease at 9d; FW, 9 grease at 8½d; AWC, 43 grease at 11d; DG, 5 grease at 10d; 4 in diamond, 39 grease at 10d; JP over —, 30 grease at 9d; MMM over Eurime, 6 grease at 7½d; J Doust over Camden, 7 grease at 7½d; EM, 16 grease at 10½d; JC over Kialgora, 8 grease at 9½d; J over AT, 8 grease at 10d; WB, 9 grease crossbred at 10d, 7 merino at 9½d; IFS, 9 grease at 9½d; IXK, 12 grease at 10d; GJM, 8 grease at 9½d, 4 at 9½d; Watt, 8 bellies at 5d; VK over 8, 10 grease at 9½d; Fitros over Bendimme, 50 grease at 11½d, 22 lambs at 8½d, 8 skirts at 8½d; JAB, 9 grease at 9d; PJOD over Mingay, 14 grease at 7½d, 32 lambs at 7d, 16 bellies at 4½d, 12 pieces at 6d; MAY, 9 grease at 8½d; TQK, 7 grease at 10½d; CP over M, 9 grease at 9½d; D, 6 grease at 10d; PJ over Greenbank, 13 grease at 11d; — over 2 over Mudgee, 6 grease at 9d; WM, 11 grease at 8½d; PMK over Trunkey, 7 grease at 10d; RR over Mudgee, 5 grease at 9½d; JDM over T, 11 grease at 8½d; W, 8 crossbred at 8d; WG, 5 grease at 9d; WM over Stoney Creek, 8 grease at 9½d; Jones over Gilmandyke, 12 fleece at 10½d; VJ, 6 fleece at 15d; EL over Y, 5 fleece at 12½d; KCC, 5 grease at 10½d; Z over Covan, 18 grease at 8½d; AB over Y, 10 fleece at 16d; M (red), 24 fleece at 18d; BS, over 2, 66 grease at 10½d; JC over Woodburys 23 fleece at 16½d; AEP over Watton, 8 fleece at 16½d; DMR, 8 fleece at 16d; DMcG, 11 lambs at 8d; — over GC over spectacles, 6 fleece at 16½d; JC over —, 27 fleece at 16½d; EL, 7 fleece at 16d; — over J over WB over Rockley, 18 crossbred at fleece 10½d; — over m, 7 fleece at 16½d; SCC, 10 fleece at 14½d; CAC, 13 fleece at 15d; BS over 2, 9 skirts at 5½d; FG, 26 fleece at 18d; AW in diamond over Mudgee, 9 fleece at 17½d; RIE, 35 fleece at 17d; WM, 16 fleece at 17½d; RJ over Bogolong, 11 pieces at 7½d; TF over Emu, 20 grease at 8½d, 8 pieces at 6½d; WJG, 15 grease at 11d; JC over Munby, 17 fleece at 17½d; JPY, 6 fleece at 15½d; R2 over Catnola, 7 fleece at 16½d; JD, 7 fleece at 15½d; JGS over Star, 10 grease at 9½d; WR, 6 grease at 8½d; RV over New Armatree, 8 grease at 7½d; EWN over ULKY, 8 grease at 9½d; B over A, 27 crossbred grease at 9d; 23 grease at 9½d; Warroo, 47 grease at 9d, 8 pieces at 7d, 5 second pieces at 3½d; MT over diamond, 70 grease at 11d, 37 skirts at 8½d, 7 pieces at 8½d; SM over C, 41 grease at 7½d; SBA, 56 fleece at 16½d; EWR over Rose Glen, 17 grease at 10d; JC over D, 7 grease at 8½d; B over A, 21 grease at 9½d; PH over 2, 11 fleece at 16½d; Carndbu, 22 grease at 10½d; W over — over Cowra, 8 grease at 8½d; DNT, 11 grease at 8½d; M, 24 grease at 10½d; AL, 211 grease at 11d, 25 pieces at 8½d.

By Messrs. Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited.—Hides: S&T, 83 at 4½d; Red O, 31 at 4½d; JDN, 14 at 4½d; Cross, 55 at 4½d; WD, 16 at 4½d; Red cross, 60 at 4½d; AC, 21 at 4d; DS, 15 at 4d; WJR, 25 at 4d; R&D, 20 at 3½d; P Bros, 29 at 3½d; ASN, 18 damaged at 2d; F on leather, 35 damaged at 2½d; GL, 15 at 3½d; JC over G, 20 at 3½d; P on rag, 73 at 3½d; HJ&D, 45 at 3½d; T, 56 at 3½d; Hemp tie, 62 at 3½d; JC over N, 44 at 3½d; Tar twine, 22 at 3½d; Red rag, 40 at 3½d; JDN, 10 at 3½d; DM, 22 at 3½d; Blue rope, 14 at 3½d. Yearlings: JC over G, 3 at 3s 1d. Calfskins: JDN, 12 at 17d; WD, 5 at 2sd; J over TC over N, 3 at 13d; G, 90 at 24d; F on leather, 2 at 27d; GL, 1 at 49d; AC, 3 at 27d. Kangarooskins: H, 1 lot at 16d; PJ, 1 lot at 17½d; E on leather, 1 lot at 10d; B Mippem, 1 lot 12½d; no mark, 1 lot at 13½d. Horns: H, 1 lot at 30s 6d, 1 lot at 2s 6d; HH, 1 lot at 30s 3d; N over DA, 1 lot at 7s 6d. Bones: TH, 1 lot at 6s 9d; C in circle, 1 lot at 9s 6d; JJH, a lot at 11s 3d; H, 1 lot at 8s. Cowhair: HJD, 1 bag at 13½d; H, 1 bag at 7½d. Tallow, packages: Heart over 8, 6 casks at £33 10s; CL conjoined, 2 at £33 10s; SLB over Yass, 7 at £33; No. 1, 4 at £32 10s; No. 2, 3 at £32 10s; J&C, 5 at £32 10s; T, 9 at £31 10s; RL, 15 at £31 10s; WD, 1 at £30; WSLCo., 10 at £29; D. Munro, 20 at £32; RL, 30 at £31 10s; DC over R, 2 at £28 10s; Red rag, 4 at £30 5s; RBN, 1 at £29; WS, 1 at £28 15s; SD, 1 at £26 5s; WS, 1 cask £30 6s; JC, 1 cask £25 15s; O in circle, 5 at £28; TI, 3 at £27 15s; WFL, 1 at £28 10s; B over 39 on tin triangle, 1 cask £27 15s; WTS, 2 at £28 15s; GPA, 2 at £30 10s; A26, 3 at £32; JC over G, 1 case £28 15s; JC, 3 tons £16; ES, 1 cask £31 5s; JK, 3 at £16 10s.

By Mr. John Bridge.—Calfskins: Red rag, 8 at 1s 3d; 3 at 2s 1d; Broad arrow over O, 2 at 9d; HD, 1 at 1s 2d; JC, 9 at 2s; S, 5 at 1s; ditto, 2 at 1s; BR, 1 at 1s. Hides: JH, 21 at 4d; WR, 19 at 3½d; FX, 24 at 3½d; AB, 12 at 3½d; G&G, 9 at 3½d; B&SM, 8 at 3½d; HM over G, 22 at 3½d; IEE, 11 at 4½d; None, 38 at 3½d; 20 horse hides at 4s 5d; M&Co., 19 at 3½d; FP, 22 at 1d; S, 35 at 4½d; BR, 74 at 3½d; Red rag, 70 at 3½d; Green X, 41 at 4½d; PIM, 20 at 3½d; Red rag, 45 at 3½d; S, 104 at 3½d. Tallow, packages:—AW over U, 1 at £32 15s; JW, 1 at £33; RC, 7 at £32; MJS, 5 at £31; W in circle, 6 at £31; R, 18 at £31 15s; R, 2 at £31 15s; R, 6 at £31 15s; P, 4 at £32 12s 6d; AB, 4 at £30 10s; JH, 2 at £29; JB over S, 1 at £28; M, 2 at £31; Add, 1 at £29; A, 3 at £28 10s; DM, 4 at £32 10s; C over S, 1 at £31 17s 6d; ditto, 1 at £31 2s 6d; no mark, 1 at £28 6s; LW, 4 at £30 10s; W, 4 at £27; JB, 10 at £30. Horns: JC, 1 bag at 14s 3d; ditto, 1 at 12s 3d; CAS, 1 at 30s; G, 1 at 10s 6d; WON, 2 at 20s; KM, 1 at 20s 3d; M, 1 at 2s 6d; Add, 4 at 27s 6d; JL, 6 at 33 6d; KB, 3 at 25s 6d. Bones: JC, 9 at 4s; CAS, 3 at 10s; WG, 1 at 9s 9d; AM, 1 at 10s 6d; M, 1 at 9s 6d; B, 1 at 4s 6d; JO, 7 at 8s 9d, no mark, 4 at 8s 3d; JK, 5 at 7s 6d; WB, 5 at 4s 9d; Add, 10 at 6s 9d; WM, 8 at 4s 9d; CH, 7 at 5s 9d; CL over D, 1 at 7s 6d.

By Mr. F. L. Barker.—Hides: Flax, 20 at 4½d; H, 33 at 4½d; JD, 19 at 4½d; R, 23 at 4½d; H, 54 at 4½d; XIX, 17 at 4d; SVI, 19 at 3½d; EB, 43 at 3½d; SH&Co., 155 at 3½d; C on tin label, 90 at 3½d; GYS, 16 at 3½d; PIR, 11 at 3½d; Leather label, 31 at 3½d; IKX, 18 at 3½d; Red tape, 110 at 3½d; Braid, 9 at 3½d; MD over B, 27 at 3½d; WP, 28 at 3d; Blue braid, 35 at 3½d; F, 10 at 3½d; D, 10 at 3½d; H, 12 at 3½d; CL4, 12 at 3d; H, 27 at 3d; B, 11 at 3d; JT, 14 at 3d; White tape, 27 at 2½d; WR, 28 at 2½d; BE, 18 at 2½d per lb. Yearlings: H, 12 at 4s 2d; H, 9 at 7s 2d; H, 1 at 1s 3d; F, 2 at 3s 9d; Braid, 5 at 4s 2d; B, 1 at 3s 9d per skin. Calfskins: E, 24 at 1s 8d; F, 31 at 1s 3d; Braid, 6 at 1s; BB, 6 at 1s 1d; HB, conjoined, 23 at 6d; B, 15 at 4d per skin. Kangarooskins: D, 1 bale at 2s 6d; ML, 1 at 1s 6d; B, 1 at 1s 6d; BB, 7 at 1s 4d; BB, 2 at 8½d; B, 1 at 8d; NY, 1 at 8d; YT, 1 bale opossum at 6½d; B, 1 at 3½d; T, 1 bale goat at 1s; NY, 1 bear at 4½d; L, 1 wallaby at 5d; PCM, 1 platypus at 3s 6d per skin. Tallow (packages): PD, 1 at £33; MD, 8 at £33 10s; GY, 8 1 at £32 5s; XXL, 7 at £31 5s; C, 2 at £31 5s; MD over B, 1 at £30; AB conjoined, 1 at £29 10s; SVI, 1 at £29 5s; McM, 2 at £28; R, 2 at £28 per ton. Horns: SM, 1 bag at 35s; IVY, 10 at 30s 6d; Blue cross, 7 at 28s 9d; JD, 2 at 25s 9d; O, 3 at 21s; RCT, 1 at 15s; JCB, 1 (tips) at 6s 6d; LV over HS, 1 (perished) at 5s per 100. Bones: DL, 1 bag at 10s.; JCB, 2 at 9s. 6d.; JD, 2 at 9s. 3d.; O, 6 at 7s 9d per cwt. Hair and Beeswax: ML, 1 bag horse, at 17d.; Blue cross, 1 at 14½d; TL conjoined over B, 1 cow at 14d.; E.B., 1 cow at 13d.; TC, 1 bag beeswax at 12d.; Addressed, 1 bag beeswax at 11½d. per lb.

By Messrs. Brunker and Wolfe.—Tallow: WHH, 1 cask at £31 15s; WP, 1 at £30 10s; JD, 1 at £32; DX, 1 at £31 5s; HJM, 3 at £32 10s; IC, 1 at £27 5s, 1 at £29 5s; WP, 2 at £32; JB over S, 1 at £30; IB, 1 at £32; AH, 1 at £31; — over JW, 1 at £32; MM, 13 at £32 12s 6d; TC, 1 at £32 15s; A, 2 at £27; AMcG, 3 at £32 7s 6d. Hides: JR, 45 at 3½d; LL, 25 at 3½d; MW, 15 at 4½d; Mc, 13 at 3½d; AG, 21 at 3½d, 10 at 4d; D, 15 at 3½d; F, 19 at 3½d; JD, 31 at 4½d; No mark, 118 at 4½d; HJM, 11 at 4d, 11 at 3½d; W, 13 at 3½d; TB, 11 at 3½d; Mc, 15 at 3½d; D, 29 at 3½d, 16 at 3½d, 11 at 3½d; No mark, 31 at 3½d; EW, 18 at 3½d; White rag, 13 at 3½d; JB, 2 at 4d; White rag, 40 at 3½d; No mark, 24 at 4d; D, 33 at 3½d; White tape, 80 at 4½d; AH, 3 calfskins at 1s 3d; AG, 4 at 2s 7d; JD, 3 at 2s 3d; No mark, 5 at 2s 2d; H, 1 at 2s 8d; Mc, 5 at 1s — over JW, 2 calfskins at 1s 9d; JB, 3 at 2s 1d; No mark, 1 at 6d; D, 6 at 1s 1d; White tape, 6 at 2s; P, 2 yearlings at 4s 4d; AG, 3 at 3s 9d; JD, 2 at 4s 10d; T, 2 at 3s 1d; JB, 5 at 4s 11d; No mark, 1 at 4s 4d; HJM, 3 at 3s, 2 at 3s 1d; H, 5 at 4s 6d; D, 1 at 4s 6d; WF, 1 at 3s 4d; — over JW, 1 at 5s 7d; No mark, 1 at 4s; D, 2 at 4s; White tape, 4 at 4s.

By Mort and Co., Limited.—Hides, &c.: AB conjoined, 57 hides, at 4½d; Red tape, 46 at 3½d; Blue tape, 18 at 3½d; WF, 16 at 3½d; TR over R, 14 at 3½d; M, 12 at 3½d; AL, 77 at 3½d; ropeted, 35 at 3½d; Back, 56 at 3½d; JM, 30 at 3½d; WB over W, 21 at 3½d; MR conjoined, 34 at 3½d; WRJ, 45 at 3½d; F4, 10 at 1½d; FL, 21 at 1½d; Back, 2 yearlings at 5s 6d; RS, 1 yearling at 3s 8d; 6 calfskins at 1s; AB conjoined, 3 at 1s 6d; FL, 6 yearlings at 3s; Red tape, 2 at 4s 4d; 11 calfskins, various brands, 1s to 3s 6d; FL, 50 hides, at 2½d; 3, 51 at 3½d; TS, 23 at 3½d; Blue cross, 46 at 3½d; RS, 36 at 4½d; No Mark, 24 at 3½d; JTP, 20 at 3½d; RG Co., 18 at 3½d; GHD, 37 at 3½d; GHD, 16 at 3½d each; various brands, 31 hides at from 1d to 3½d per lb. Wattle Bark: Address, 34 bags at £7 17s 6d per ton. Kangarooskins: No mark, 1 bundle at 36s, 1 at 21s, 2 at 17s; Address, 2 at 14s, 1 lot at 6s; AMG, 1 bundle at 21s; 3 platypus at 21s; JP over ∞, 1 bundle kangaroo at 13s; Address, 2 at 19s; J in diamond, 1 package at 23s, 1 lot at 10s, 1 goatskin at 4s 6d; JP over ∞, 1 at 1s 1d; 1 lot wallaby at 2s; AMG, 1 kangaroo at 18s; No Mark, 1 at 2s; TW over V, 1 lot dressed kangaroo at 15s; per dozen. Tallow, Packages: ECo., 6 at £29 10s; Addressed, 1 at £28 10s; WB over W, 1 at £30 10s; TS, 1 at £27 10s; TE, 1 at £26; Addressed, 1 at £30 10s; JA, 2 at £30 5s; M, 1 at £29; JW over M, 1 at £30 5s; TR over R, 3 at £30 5s; CC, 2 at £25 5s; Addressed, 7 at £30; H, 3 at £28 15s; RS, 3 at £31; FH, 4 at £26; WF, 1 at £30 15s; PH, 3 at £27; J&W, 1 and 2 boxes at £28; TE, 2 at £28; — over LG, 4 at £31 10s per ton; L, 4 bags horns at 20s 3d; 4 of bones at 8s 9d; JP, 2 of horns at 5s; 3 of hoofs at 2s 6d, 14 of bones at 2s 6d.

By Messrs. Hill, Clark, and Co.—Hides: SMPCo., 163 at 4½d; BTS, 61 at 4½d; ER, 39 at 4½d; 88 over Lithgow, 82 at 4½d; DB over S, 29 at 4d; White rag, 38 at 3½d; —, 42 at 3½d; DF, 12 at 3½d; F, 54 at 3½d; DM over G, 10 at 3½d; BTS, 17 at 3½d; 3 strings, 54 at 3½d; Cross strings, 36 at 3½d; White rag, 12 at 3½d; White rag, 46 at 4d; DG&Co., 16 at 2½d; BTS, 17 at 3½d; Canvas rag, 18 at 3½d; Red rag, 59 at 3½d; 88 over Lithgow, 20 at 3½d; White tape, 38 at 3d; Addressed, 59 calfskins at 2s 2d; CR, 11 at 17d; GS, 30 at 6d; SJH, 11 at 2s; JM, 5 at 1s 9d, 3 at 2s; Red rag, 4 at 1s 6d; EA 5 at 2s; DF, 3 at 1s; 88 over Lithgow, 6 at 1s; 2 at 2s 9d; DHS, 1 yearling at 6s 3d; JM, 11 at 4s 8d; Red rag, 8 at 3s 9d; F, 5 at 3s; 88 over Lithgow, 4 at 4s 6d, 3 at 5s 10d; HM, 1 bale kangarooskins at 13½d; ditto, 1 bale at 26d; 152 kangarooskins at 14d, 72 at 27d; X, 3 at 9d; DG&Co., 63 opossumskins at 1s 6d, 53 ditto at 1s 6d per dozen. Tallow: CR, 1 package at 28s 6d, 2 at 32s 6d, 2 at 28s; HE, 2 at 31s; DB over S, 3 at £33 12s 6d; M, 2 at 31s 9d; CWB over A, 5 at 30s; AF over D, 9 at 32s 6d; DF, 2 at 32s 3d; LV, 3 at £31 15s 6d; S&S, 11 at 53s per cwt. Hair: EF, 1 bag at 16½d; ditto, 1 at 13½d; MK, 1 at 12½d; JM, 2 at 14½d; WH, 1 at 11½d; X, 1 at 8½d; JW, 1 at 14d; QS, 1 at 6d; Anchor, 1 at 5½d; D, 1 at 9d; HE, 1 at 7d; X, 1 beg wax at 10½d per lb. Horns: WIK, 2 bags at 5s; N, 4 at 33s 6d; JM, 2 bales at 30s; TB, over Charters Towers, 6 at 35s 3d; PE, 1 at 5s; CH, 1 at 23s; WH, 3 at 31s; WH, 1 lot at 2s 9d; TB, 1 lot at 8s; JM, 4 bags at 9s; HE, 1 at 22s; N, 1 lot at 3s per 100. Bones: N, 4 bags at 8s 9d; JM, 10 at 9s 6d; WB, 1 at 10s; PE, 6 at 9s; WH, 3 at 9s 3d per cwt; N, 3 bags hoofs at 4s 6d; WH, 2 at 5s 9d per cwt.

LONDON WOOL SALES.

Sale of 6588 bales, from Sydney and Queensland, by Jacomb, Son, and Co., on Saturday, 22nd September, 1883:—

Ex Brilliant, from Sydney: DF over F New England, 16 combing at 18½d, 2 pieces at 14½d; DE over DF, 8 combing at 17½d; CN, 5 at 17d; WM Rose Vale, 10 at 16d; WM, 9 combing at 15½d; JH connected, 5 scoured pieces at 15½d, 6 belly pieces at 15d, 8 locks at 11d; AJ, 15 scoured at 15½d, 9 at 15d, 2 locks at 9d, 1 part sheepskin pieces at 4d; P, 5 combing at 15½d, 5 grease at 10d; PB, 5 combing at 15½d; PA, 7 at 18d; AMD, 6 at 15d; JF, 15 at 15d; JK, 8 at 15d; WB, 5 at 14½d; PH, 8 at 14d; CJ, 7 combing at 15½d, 1 locks at 9d; H&FI, Gowrie, 5 pieces at 13d, 3 locks at 11½d; AL, 7 belly pieces at 12d; JA Cocapara, 27 grease clothing at 10d, 1 damaged at 8½d; GK over XL, 7 scoured pieces and locks at 11d, 7 pieces at 10½d, 3 scoured at 10d, 19 crossbred lambs at 10d, 4 ditto pieces at 5d; FP, 8 grease combing at 10d; H Bramba, 12 crossbred at 10½d; M inside circle, 5 grease at 9d; JP in circle, 0 combing at 9d; M. Bros, 8 lambs at 8d; ABC, 8 grease at 8½d; L over JL, 6 at 7½d, 2 damaged at 4½d; JM Jews Lagoon, 7 lambs at 7½d; MC, 22 grease at 8d; VK, 6 at 7½d; WPB, Coomerang, 40 grease combing at 8½d; B in diamond, 6 clips at 8d; Willows, 15 grease at 9d.

Ex Sydney, from Sydney: ABC, 15 scoured at 17½d, 4 at 14d, 9 at 11d; FS, 5 pieces at 16½d, 8 at 14d; FP, 5 at 16½d; LK, 17 locks at 11d; BF, 4 scoured at 16½d, 7 crossbred at 14½d; P, 16 pelts at 15d; DW, 6 mixed at 11½d.

Ex Drumburton, from Sydney: CCB, 6 scoured at 17½d, 2 pieces at 16d, 1 pieces bellies at 12½d, 1 scoured part black at 15d, 1 lambs at 13½d, 1 mixed at 16d, 1 mixed at 10d, 2 clothing at 17d, 1 scoured at 12½d, 2 pelts at 11d; CHMP, 49 combing at 14½d; PHIM, 8 combing mixed at 14d; HCMP, 10 combing at 16½d, 7 crossbred at 13d; ditto over X, 5 at 15d; GMPH, 11 at 14½d; CMPH, 25 at 14½d; HJRC, 28 combing at 15½d; Willinbah, 6 combing at 10½d; H. B. Bros. Murraway, 6 grease at 9½d, 5 at 8½d; MK over EOA, 32 combing at 10½d, 4 at 9d; Burrowa, 7 at 10½d.

Ex Darling Downs and Garonne, from Sydney: T over JT, 9 combing at 17d; MG over G, 6 at 16d; G over G, 5 at 16½d; KH, Bundara, 7 grease combing at 10½d; CC, 8 at 10½d; FCK over H, 5 at 11d; RM, 5 at 10d; FJM, Yarrowick, 19 at 10½d, 18 part black at 10½d, 1 damaged at 9½d; JHD over J, 6 crossbred at 8½d, 1 combing at 8d; HM, 99 grease combing at 9½d, 54 clothing at 8d, 2 crossbred at 8d, 1 damaged at 8d.

Ex Liguria, from Sydney: H. Sears, 13 at 13½d; DE, 21 grease combings at 10½d; CH, Albertina, 8 at 10d; JE, 7 combing at 9½d; WH, Pine Grove, 5 lambs at 7½d; Mundadoo, 47 grease combing at 8½d.

Ex Sorata and Lusitania, from Queensland: HSW, 1 scoured combing at 22d, 2 clothing at 22d, 2 pieces at 21½d, 19 grease combing at 12½d, 33 clothing at 11½d, 13 at 11d, 35 pieces at 10d; WEM, 50 grease combing at 9d.

Ex Aberfeldie and America, from Queensland: Brenda, 25 scoured clothing at 21½d, 5 at 19½d, 13 pieces at 16½d, 1 mixed at 16½d, 9 locks at 14d, 8 at 12½d, 7 grease combing at 10½d, 159 at 9½d, 11 at 9d, 10 clothing at 9½d, 57 at 8½d, 48 at 8d, 18 broken at 9d, 1od damaged at 8½d, 1 crossbred at 9d, 1 black at 8½d, 21 pieces at 8½d, 24 belly pieces at 6½d, 3 damaged at 6½d.

Ex Sepia and Roma, from Brisbane: Victoria over HH over Downs, 9 scoured combing at 19½d, 18 at 19½d, 1 at 18½d, 1 damaged at 19d, 22 clothing at 18½d, 3 at 18d, 23 at 17d, 8 at 16d, 10 pieces part clothing at 16½d; KAG, Darling Downs, 15 grease combing at 9½d, 14 at 9d, 31 at 8½d, 10 clothing at 9d, 33 stained at 8d, 28 broken at 8d, 5 pieces at 7d, 9 belly pieces at 6d, 8 at 5½d; Basingwaite, 25 grease at 9d, 1 damaged at 8d, 1 crossbred at 8½d, 7 lambs at 7d, 2 lambs pieces at 6½d, 4 pieces and locks at 6½d.

Ex Chyebassa, from Brisbane: JB, Jimbour, 88 scoured belly pieces at 18½d, 3 scoured at 10½d, 3 at 10d, 12 halfbred Leicester at 18½d, 2 screenings at 9½d; JB, Westland, 21 mixed at 16d, 9 lambs at 15d, 4 locks at 10½d; DBWL, 6 skin at 16d, 7 at 14½d, 2 mixed at 10½d, 1 black mixed at 8d.

Ex Saghalien and Carthage, from Brisbane: JH over 8, 20 scoured at 17d, 1 at 11d, 8 crossbred at 12½d, 2 at 9½d, 2 locks part black at 8½d; JH over F, 1 scoured at 14½d; ditto HS, 1 at 13d, 1 at 10d; ditto HF, 2 pieces at 11d; ditto HW, 1 sheepskins at 11d; DR over 8, 1 scoured crossbred at 12d, 4 scoured at 10½d, 2 at 9½d; TB, Woolerina, 33 grease combing at 10½d, 45 at 10d, 1 lambs at 9½d, 5 grease damaged at 9d, 48 clothing at 9d, 8 at 8d; I in diamond, 5 crossbred at 8½d.

Ex Bulimba, from Brisbane: M&A, Biddenham, 1 scoured pieces and lambs at 15d, 3 pieces at 14½d, 1 black and locks at 12d; Nive Downs, 1 grease black at 12d, 13 grease at 11½d, 105 combing at 10½d, 64 at 10d, 32 at 9½d, 89 at 9d, 5 at 8½d, 1 damaged at 9½d, 1 at 7d, 34 pieces at 9½d, 17 at 8½d, 5 bellies at 7d.

Ex Potosi and Orient, from Brisbane: Rainsworth, 13 scoured pieces at 14d, 14 bellies at 13½d, 10 locks at 11½d, 12 grease combing at 10½d, 8 at 10d, 9 clothing at 10d, 16 skirts at 8d, 3 clothing at 7½d, 1 lambs at 6½d.

Sale of 2567 bales, from Sydney and Queensland, by Charles Balme and Co., on Monday, 24th September, 1883:—

Ex Christiana Thompson, Port Jackson, La Hogue, Drumburton, and Brilliant, from Sydney: M&L, Mitres, 3 scoured fleece combing hoggets at 21½d, 18 at 21d, 27 scoured fleece combing at 21d, 21 at 20½d, 1 at 19½d, 7 mixed at 19½d, 3 scoured fleece hoggets at 18½d, 47 scoured fleece at 19d, 4 combing crossbred stained at 19d, 5 scoured pieces at 17d, 6 scoured at 13½d; NPB, Mudgee, Collingwood, 1 combing scoured at 21d, 1 scoured at 17½d; BBB, ditto, 1 bellies at 17½d, 3 pieces at 14½d, 2 locks part bellies at 14d; NPB over B, ditto, 1 grease clothing at 10d, 11 broken at 9½d, 1 damaged at 8½d; WWW, Bando, Collingwood, 7 scoured at 20d, 20 at 17d, 1 at 16d, 1 at 12½d, 20 bellies at 14d, 5 pieces mixed at 13d, 1 damaged at 12d, 2 grease black at 12d, 174 grease combing at 10½d, 30 grease at 9½d, 4 at 8d, 6 crossbred combing part Lincoln at 9d, 51 skirts at 8½d, 50 at 8d, 1 damaged at 6½d, 2 bellies at 5½d, 1 pieces at 5d, 3 grease damaged at 7d; WW over W, Collingwood, 1 scoured at 20d, 2 at 17d, 1 at 15d, 1 locks at 13d, Gunningrah, 32 scoured bellies at 20d, 6 locks at 14d; TRS, Aramac, 6 scoured combing fleece at 19½d, 14 scoured combing at 19½d, 41 scoured combing at 17d, 36 pieces at 16½d, 27 locks at 14d, 2 grease part black at 13d, 4 combing at 11d, 5 at 10½d, 48 at 10d, 75 at 9d, 115 broken at 9d; Late Darby and Goldfinch, 33 combing at 17½d; WFF, 5 locks scoured at 15½d; TL over y, 15 pieces fleece at 11d, 7 pieces at 10d; JG Gara, New England, 85 grease combing at 10½d, 13 grease damaged at 10d, 1 black at 8½d, 2 lambs at 8d, 5 pieces and bellies at 6½d, 4 pieces part locks at 4½d, 1 damaged at 4d.

Ex Rosetta, from Sydney: Edward Flood & Co., Carabea, 2 scoured combing at 21d, 2 at 20d, 25 clothing part hoggets at 21d, 12 clothing at 20½d, 4 part crossbred at 19d, 56 clothing at 18½d, 19 pieces at 17½d, 7 at 15d, 14 lambs at 17d, 22 at 17½d, 13 bellies at 15½d, 4 at 13d, 1 locks at 8½d.

Ex Cynosure, from Sydney: CDF, 3 scoured bellies at 21d, 2 locks mixed at 13½d; HB, 5 scoured combing mixed at 14d; JKLy, 9 combing at 18d, 1 pieces at 15½d; JN, 5 grease at 10½d; RAW, 15 grease at 9½d, 1 part skin at 6d, 2 bellies and pieces at 5d.

Ex Lusitania, from Sydney: JWR, 8 scoured fleece at 20d, 2 scoured at 18d, 1 at 11d, 1 combing at 16d, 2 pieces part black at 16½d, 2 damaged pieces at 14d, 2 locks and pieces mixed at 12d, 3 grease at 10½d.

TAMWORTH FAT STOCK MARKET.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

TAMWORTH, Friday.

Nathan, Cohen, and Co. sold at auction to-day, on account of the Peel River Land and Mineral Company, a lot of prime cattle; the bullocks brought from £7 7s to £10 5s; cows brought from £6 5s to £6 7s; beetive wethers brought 8s 9d; lambs brought 7s 6d.

BONDED STOCKS.

Sydney, December 21, 1883.

Description.	Stock on hand Dec. 14, 1883.	Received into Stock.	Deliv'rd for Home Consumpt'n	Delivered for Export'n.	Stock on hand, Dec. 21, 1883.
Rum: galls.					
West India ...	96,311	2,629	4,384	815	93,741
East India ...	4,044	...	51	...	3,993
Foreign ...	4,132	...	...	...	4,132
All other Spirits ...	8,085	234	897	10	7,407
Brandy	309,026	4,942	7,980	2,030	303,958
Geneva	56,242	13,829	5,023	926	64,122
Whisky	209,398	1,553	4,617	517	206,314
Liqueurs	4,655	205	260	4	4,596
Gin	5,654	...	320	196	5,138
Wine	159,800	9,287	3,623	800	164,664
Tobacco, man'ft'd:					
Half-tierces ...	9	...	...	...	9
Lbs.	733	...	...	...	733
Qr.-tierces ...	930	25	2	...	953
Lbs.	170,581	6,060	490	...	176,145
¼ boxes & bxs	363	...	1	3	359
Lbs.	32,264	...	87	363	31,809
Cases	765	41	19	27	760
Lbs.	146,550	8,892	3,673	5,487	146,282
Re-packages—					
Packages ...	153	...	2	24	127
Lbs.	8,986	...	79	922	7,985
Leaf:					
Hds. & Cks.	758	...	8	...	*750
Lbs.	713,058	...	5,301	...	*707,757
Cases ...	93	5	2	...	*96
Lbs.	19,808	802	337	...	*20,273
Bales ...	51	...	...	...	*51
Lbs.	10,751	...	...	...	*10,751
Cigars:					
Cases	1,180	4	41	4	1,139
Lbs.	147,147	290	5,057	430	141,950
Re-packages—					
Packages ...	[illegible]	...	10	7	58
Lbs.	[illegible]	...	1,885	89	3,597
Tea: Lbs. ...	2,724,[illegible]	[illegible]	82,834	10,562	2,645,448
Chicory: Lbs. ...	52,[illegible]	...	5,152	...	46,853
Opium: Lbs. ...	7,[illegible]	66	432	96	7,682
Kerosene Oil: Galls.	85,[illegible]	[illegible]	4,962	1,418	76,789

Snuff.—Stock on hand De[illegible] 4, 1 package 84lb.

Sugar.—Stock on hand 14[illegible] 4, 649 tons 10cwt. 1qr. 18lb.; received into stock, 20 tons [illegible] 6lb.; delivered for home consumption, 9 tons 15cwt [illegible] delivered for exportation, 14 tons 1scwt. 1qr.; stock [illegible] December 21, 645 tons 15cwt. 3qr.

Coffee.—Stock on hand [illegible] 14, 11 tons 10cwt 3qr. 6lb.; delivered for home consumption [illegible] ton 15cwt. 3qr.; delivered for exportation, 6cwt.; stock on hand December 21, 9 tons 11cwt.

* 6 casks kerosene, 1 case [illegible], entries passed for bond but not yet weighed.

MODERN GOLDFIELDS.

In an article on this subject the *Westminster Review* says:—" In 1848 the gold discovery was made of the goldfields of California, just a fortnight before the treaty was signed which made over the country to the United States, as an indemnity for the costs of the Mexican war; but it would appear that neither of the signatories was aware of the riches thus signed away; and, singularly enough, possession was taken of the territory by the Americans only 24 hours before Admiral Sir George Seymour arrived to accept the sovereignty of the country for Great Britain, by the invitation of Spain, the then nominal sovereign power; while the same territory had, it is said, been formally tendered to Drake by the reigning Indian chieftain of that day. Hardly had California become American ground than the new-comers discovered the golden treasure which the sleepy Spaniard had trod over for centuries without observing it. 'General Shutter' (a German), as the Americans styled him, was erecting a mill to grind his grain, and when the mill-race was being dug the spade turned up grains of gold. Soon the whole locality was found to teem with the precious ore—flakes and nuggets in the watercourses, and with auriferous gravel widespread over the plains. The history of this man, as given by Mr. Patterson, is quite a romance. He had purchased the estate from the Spanish Government, and lived upon it for 10 years before the gold was found, but the rush of miners ruined him; he was driven from his quiet home, his property was seized and appropriated by unscrupulous adventurers, and he, the legal owner of the richest estate known, died in poverty. It was probably the fear of this inevitable ruin which had so long delayed the knowledge of these rich goldfields, for the dwellers in the country could not have been wholly ignorant of them, and we have been told that the Jesuits were in possession of candlesticks and other articles of native gold, although they had concealed their knowledge of its production. This Californian goldfield was the bed of an ancient river which had run from north to south, but which, although originally in a valley, is now a thousand feet above any of the present river-beds; this old river-bed could be traced for fifty miles, and was in parts a mile and a half broad, and 400 feet deep, so that it may be said to be practically inexhaustible; although this is the largest of the gold-bearing deposits, it is not the only one. Happily the difficulties connected with the mining are considerable, or the market might become glutted with gold; but the output depends largely upon the quantity of water available for 'hydraulicing,' and so gold-mining has become a sober industry carried on by companies with large capitals and all modern appliances of engineering skill. The story of the Australian goldfields is in many respects similar to that of the Californian. The gold discoveries were at first suppressed by Government, 'fearing lest a gold mania and gambling spirit would, without any adequate return, divert the population from its course of steady industry;' a fear which was justified by events, for, as Mr. Patterson tells us, 'in the course of a few months half the male population of Victoria had left their legitimate occupations, and had gone hot-footed in search of the precious metal.' Workshops stood idle, business places were closed, ships lay empty at the wharfs, trade was at a standstill, business was allowed to drift where it would; there was but one thing thought of, and that was gold, until the number engaged in this new industry in Victoria amounted to 100,000. This great rush lasted, however, only a few years. The surface diggings soon became exhausted, individual labour was rendered unprofitable, and capital and machinery became necessary. Meanwhile the prices of food and other necessaries rose enormously. Flour was held as high as £44 a ton in 1855, and a cabbage cost 5s. Bricks rose from 30s. the thousand to £18, and all other commodities in proportion; but these wants were soon supplied by importation. These famine prices declined, and eventually the supply became greater than the demand, and many merchants and shopkeepers were ruined, one firm losing £90,000 in a twelvemonth. The prizes, however, in the Australian goldfield were tremendous; one nugget found at Ballaarat weighed 2195oz., and was sold at Melbourne for £9325; many others were but little inferior to it, and every adventurer worked, hoping that he might be the lucky finder of some such great prize. And now that the fever has ceased, what are the results there and wherever these great rushes for gold have taken place? An enormous increase in the population, wealth, industry, and commercial prosperity of every land wherein gold is found in paying quantities, is certain to follow the discovery, but only after many have suffered untold hardships, privations, sickness, and death. It would seem as though Nature had spread out her goldfields as tempting baits to the human race, in the same manner as carnivorous plants display their deadly leaves covered with luscious fluid to tempt the unwary insect to destruction; and in both cases the end attained is the same, death to the tempted, but an increase of strength, beauty, and power to the tempter. Whatever may be the effect of a large increase in the amount of gold in the market, whether it be beneficial or prejudicial to the world at large, there can be no doubt as to its civilising effect upon the land from which it is derived."

OWNERLESS DOGS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I wish, through your columns, to draw the attention of your readers to the increase of the dog nuisance of late. Dogs in all stages of disease, particularly mange, are to be seen in the streets, and infest the public parks and recreation grounds in numbers. It is not so much the inconvenience caused to foot passengers in general by these brutes, as the danger of their spreading various human and canine diseases, which has caused me to mention this nuisance. It is well known that the most serious of human parasitic diseases are spread by dogs; and yet, as I pass through the parks, I see children, who are supposed to be under the care of nurses, fondling these half-dead brutes.

It is very strange that the authorities should have restricted the importation of dogs to prevent the introduction of hydrophobia, and yet have neglected what seems to me a most important precaution against the spread of the disease in case of its introduction, namely, seeing that only dogs which are under proper control be allowed to live, and that those which roam about ownerless be destroyed. The Dog Act empowers the proper authorities to carry out this precaution, but at present this Act is apparently so disregarded that only those who like to do so register their dogs, and the destruction of the mongrels is left to the diseases to which these park haunters are, almost without exception, a prey.

Owners of valuable dogs will be glad to see the parks where they exercise their pets free from this nuisance.

With apologies for encroaching so on your valuable space,

I am, &c.,

CITIZEN.

ONE of the great meeting grounds on a Christmas Eve is Fuller's Great Hall, where millions of the most magnificent cards the world can produce are spread out in elegant array. Persons who have not witnessed the scene would be well repaid by a visit. 398 and 382, George-street.—[ADVT.]

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—DECEMBER 21.

City of Melbourne (s.), 838 tons, Captain C. J. Nightingall, from Brisbane 19th instant. Passengers—Mrs. E. A. Gaden, Mrs. H. E. Wilson, Mrs. Cameron, Mrs. Rooke, Mrs. Hulu, Mrs. J. Viney, Mrs. Robson and child, Mrs. Nesbit, Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Aitken, Mrs. Parry, Mrs. Ferner, Mrs. Watts, Mrs. Consedene, Miss Algare, Miss Dewgood, Miss Neville, Miss Rooke, Miss Philpott, Miss M'Kenzie, Miss Ada Belbridge, Miss F. Perry, Miss Shaw, Miss Amoure, Miss M'Donnell, Miss Wilson, Miss Cameron, Miss Shaw, Miss A. Rellage, Miss Mitchell, Miss Hansen, Miss Mackay, Messrs. F. H. Shadforth, M. Cohen, J. W. Prince, G. J. Ferguson, P. O'Donnell, J. J. Reid, M'Kenna, W. Sinclair, assistant and page, Reece, C. Flint, Burns, Pattison, E. A. Gaden, Keeson, Rooke, J. G. Warr, G. Dunn, W. Muilaly, E. Gago, Blackwell, Dr. Thomas, De Spusses, J. R. Fawns, Viney, Wimble, E. H. Flint, E. Fifoot, N. Mandleson, Chancellor, E. W. Lord, Nesbit, M. Carkuk, J. C. Meickleburgh, C. Hamilton, Robertson, G. Walker, G. R. Byrne, S. L. Bernay, S. A. Bernay, G. H. Davis, Salmon, A. J. Stephenson, Sutherland, Davis, H. G. Chater, Foley, W. Perry, Well, D. J. Johnson, and 60 in the steerage. A. S. N. Company, agents.

Richmond (s.), 265 tons, Captain A. H. Peggs, from Clarence River 19th instant. Passengers—Mrs. Henderson. Transhipped from Derwent (s.)—Mrs. D. Lahey, Messrs. W. S. Paul, E. Wienholt, D. Lahey, C. W. Lukey, M'Cower, and 1 in the steerage. Nipper and Sec, agents.

Gunga (s.), 1257 tons, Captain D. Walker, from Melbourne 19th instant. Passengers—Mrs. John Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. Beaumont and 8 children, Mrs. Jarvis and Misses Jarvis (2), Mrs. Harris, Miss Harris, Miss E. J. Griffith, Miss Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Moore, Mrs. Thomas and 2 children, Messrs. Courtfield, Walters, Rutherford, Naylor, Harding, Chaplin, Wilson, Maguire, Fawcett, Gordon, Master Orme, Master Benjamin, Master Christian, and Master Burdekin, and 16 steerage.

Konoowarra, 1273 tons, Captain Charles Ashford, from Melbourne 19th instant. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. Petty and 2 children, Mr. and Mrs. Hardy and family (3), Mrs. Manor and infant, Mrs. Popplewey and infant, Mrs. Smith and 2 children, Mrs. Henry and 2 children, Miss C. Bishop, Mrs. Templeman, Miss A. M. Rigby, Miss F. Bayley, Miss Roberts, Miss N. Roberts, Miss Maner, Miss J. Jones, Miss Ocock, Messrs. R. Whittington, Dipson, H. Marshall, G. Petty, A. Tait, Sims, S. Brown, C. Chapman, F. G. Blyth, P. Bayden, A. L. Morrison, Anist, J. E. Elliott, T. Mee, Tradstock, and 40 in the steerage. Wm. Howard Smith and Sons, Limited.

Tomki (s.), 600 tons, Captain Magee, from Lismore 19th instant. Passengers—Mrs. Reardon, Mrs. Chauncey, Mrs. Nielson, Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. O'Brien, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Cromack, Miss Lumley, Miss Clancy, Miss Miller, Miss Bryant, Miss Cromack; Messrs. Turner (2), Chauncey, Gusdal, Machin, Miller, Eyers, J. Eyers, Elliott, Goldstein, Cromack, Walters, Wheeler, Tulloh, McCad, Howell, Bull, and 66 in the steerage. C. and R. R. S. N. Company, agents.

DEPARTURES.—DECEMBER 21.

H.M.S. Raven, for Hobart.
Kelat, ship, for San Francisco.
Currajong (s.), for Brisbane, Maryborough, and Rockhampton.
Buninyong (s.), for Melbourne.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—DECEMBER 22.

Liguria (s.), for London, via Melbourne and Adelaide; City of Adelaide (s.), W[illegible] (s.), and Konoowarra (s.), for Melbourne; Ly-ee-Moon (s.), for [illegible]; Gunga (s.), for Brisbane and Northern ports; Leura (s.), for Townsville, via ports; Helen Nicoll (s.), for Clarence River; Orontes, ship, and La Hogue, ship, for London; Dora, barque, for Marshall Group; Lookout, schooner, for Auckland.

CLEARANCES.—DECEMBER 21.

Currajong (s.), 633 tons, Captain J. L. Butcher, for Brisbane, Maryborough, and Rockhampton. Passengers—Mrs. Williamson, Mrs. J. Perkins, Mrs. P. Moller, Mrs. E. Treveers, Mrs. Leslie, Mrs. Henderson, Mrs. F. Smith, Miss E. Rail, Miss Alford, Miss Meldal, Miss Moran, Mrs. Fox, Miss Mounsey, Miss Morrison, Miss N. Gordon, Miss C. Ruff, Hon. Francis Hay, Captain J. C. Rounding, Messrs. J. Perkins, P. Moller, C. P. Groome, C. V. Page, W. Dawson, D. F. Howard, Holland, J. H. M. Quinlan, C. Clark, J. Henry, J. Epworth, T. Bell, Masters Holland (2), Lyons, and 38 in the steerage.

Buninyong (s.), 2073 tons, Captain P. H. Stanford, for Melbourne. Passengers—Mrs. Vass, Mrs. Oliver, Mrs. Allison, Mrs. Hall and child, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Fordham, Mrs. Edgington, Mrs. Sommerville, Mrs. Allen and child, Miss Langley, Miss Strachan, Miss Horton, Miss Keats, Miss Haffner, Miss Clinger, Miss Jones, Miss Purdore, Miss Brown, Miss M'Cormack, Miss Pescud, Messrs. C. Oliver, G. McCann, A. Felton, Mills, G. Hinder, G. Hosier, Clugan, J. Hortner, Wiseman, J. C. Lovell, Goddard, A. Lewis, J. Osborne, Forsyth, Pitmore, Allen, W. Newman, Sugney, Conan, Bell, Bruce, Gringo, Ackhurst, J. Tolleston, F. Brown, R. S. Barker, C. Smith, J. Andersen, C. Clough, L. McCormack, J. Seabie, M. Shepherd, McKenzie, Alpen, Gennery, Darling, Craig, Ronald, Pratt, Singleton, Andrews, Rosse, and 70 in the steerage.

Orontes, ship, 1318 tons, Captain D. Bain, for London. Passengers—Mrs. D. Bain and Miss Ethel Bain.

Look Out, schooner, 108 tons, Captain Stewart, for Auckland.

Cruiser (s.), 10 tons, Captain G. W. Richards, for Rockhampton in ballast. Passenger—Mr. Richardson.

Dora, barque, 261 tons, Captain J. N. Hensen, for Marshall Group. Passengers—Messrs. J. N. [illegible] and J. Nell.

COASTERS INWARDS.—DECEMBER 21.

Woonona, from Bulli, with 717 tons coal; Malcolm, from Newcastle, with 260 tons coal; Jessie Matilda, from Richmond River, with 70,000 feet timber; Lalla Rookh, from Newcastle, with coal; Bound-to-Win, from Broken Bay, with 15,000 feet timber, 400 felloes; Pearl, from Wreck Bay, with 25,000 feet timber; Sarsfield, from Richmond River, with 90,000 feet timber; Glossarial, from Richmond River, with 50,000 feet timber; Summer Rose, from Manning River to Botany, with 65 pieces timber, 365 sleepers; Annie Cochrane, from Manning River, with 26 girders, 7400 spokes, &c.; Annie, from Port Stephens, with 35,000 feet timber; Reliance, from Nambucca, with 350 bags maize, 15,000 feet timber; Sea Nymph, from Manning River, with 20,000 feet hardwood, 8000 feet cedar; Queen, from Bellinger River, with 30,000 feet timber; Lansdowne, from Port Macquarie, with 38,000 feet timber; Ethel, from Port Stephens, with timber; Emily Meivey, from Hawkesbury River, with 35 tons firewood, 31 crooks; Ann, from Port Stephens, with 16,000 feet timber; Cruiser, from Manning River, with sundries; Jessie Sinclair, from Manning River, with 27,000 feet timber; Ettie, from Port Stephens, with 20,000 feet timber; Coonanbara (s.), from Hunter River, with 790 bales wool, 60 bales hay, 150 bags tin ore, 71 cases mail, 150 cases soap, 260 boxes corn flour, 270 bags potatoes, 35 bags onions, 29 casks and 50 cases wine, 12 casks tallow, 252 hides, 40 bales skins, 20 cases eggs, 25 dozen brooms, 55 coops fowls, 2 horses, and 1 buggy; Maitland (s.), from Morpeth, with 134 bales wool, 94 bales hay, 5 bales skins, 31 hides, 200 bags potatoes, 22 bags onions, 1 horse, 1 cow, 6 calves, 22 cases biscuits, 4 casks wine, 7,000 bricks, 15 tins honey, 134 bags flour, 17 casks tallow, 24 baskets prawns, 12 baskets fish, 10 cans milk, 9 coops poultry, 5 cases eggs, and sundries.

COASTERS OUTWARDS.—DECEMBER 21.

Woonona, for Bulli; Malcolm, Jessie Matilda, Lalla Rookh, for Newcastle; Bound to Win, for Broken Bay; Pearl, for Clyde River; Sarsfield, Glossarial, for Richmond River; Summer Rose, Reliance, for Manning River; Lansdowne, for Port Macquarie; Ethel, Ann, Ettie, for Port Stephens; Emily Meivey, for Hawkesbury River; Richmond, for Clarence River, via Newcastle.

IMPORTS.—DECEMBER 21.

[A special charge is made for consignees' notices in this column.]

Konoowarra (s.), from Melbourne: 5 cases biscuits, 4 cases tobacco, 4 cases fittings, 4 packages seines, 14 ovens, 20 kegs butter, 30 cases Old Tom, 12 packages luggage, 6 casks oil, 4 iron plates, 100 bundles iron, 150 bales hay, 100 bales corn sacks, 20 casks, and 34 cases; 100 bags barley, 100 bags oatmeal, 200 bags onions, 400 bags potatoes, 14 cases eggs, 34 bundles steel, 2 bales hair, 36 cases stone steps, 50 moulded boards, 12 cases luggage, 3000 bags chaff, 50 kerb-stones, 50 pieces flagstones, 600 pieces stones, 2000 cubes, a quantity of staves, 60 cases fruit, 14 parcels, 50 cases sundries.

Gunga (s.), from Melbourne: 42 pieces machinery, 99 half-chests 5 cases tea, 100 bags flour, 5 coils rope, 82 bags oatmeal, 166 cases fruit, 37 bags potatoes, 20 cases treacle, 4 cases furniture, 9 cases eggs, 64 packages sundries, 1 horse, 1 mare and foal, 10 coops fowls.

City of Melbourne (s.), from Brisbane: 105 bales wool, 140 ingots tin, 259 bags tin ore, 8 trunks 2 cases boots, 100 empty kegs, 23 empty cases, 12 cases fruit, sundries, 5613 mats sugar.

Ex John Paterson: 4 coils best galvanised wire rope; horizontal high-pressure steam-engine, 20 horse-power; double geared drilling machines to admit 30in., 36in., and 43in.; 1 bench drill; tulip shovels, Carter's improved fireproof iron safes, size and with [illegible] mentures, crook mallets, Avery's counter scales, tinned iron [illegible] mentors, tin oil feeders, curry combs, boxes and tillers for pit-saws, rosewood plated squares, octagon stable lanterns, range cooks; 1 gap bed screw-cutting lathe, 8in. centres—BRISCOE, DRYSDALE, AND CO., 397, George-street.

Ex Dumfriesshire: 5 coils black crucible steel wire rope; gap-bed, screw-cutting, and surfacing lathes; double-geared drilling machine; bright joiners' cramps, with [illegible]; spindles for circular saws, 7 casks iron washers—BRISCOE, DRYSDALE, AND CO., 397, George-street.

Ex Herbert Black: Large assortment buggy floorcloth, railroad picks, Disston's hand saws, Hobart long strapped cast steel spades—BRISCOE, DRYSDALE, AND CO., 397, George-street.

Ex Glendower (s.): One 12-inch shaping machine, large assortment patent bronze steam and water wheel valves, copper boat nails and roves; 1430 bars 140 bundles Gilpin's best bar iron—BRISCOE, DRYSDALE, AND CO., 397, George-street.

Ex Iberia (s.): 100 tons pig iron—BRISCOE, DRYSDALE, AND CO., 397, George-street.

Ex Iberia, from London: 7 packages indiarubber goods—PERDRIAU AND CO.

Ex Darling Downs: 20 cases iron bedsteads—S. FORSTER AND SONS, Harrington-street.

Ex Abergeldie: 60 cases iron bedsteads—S. FORSTER AND SONS, Harrington-street.

Ex Brilliant: 55 cases iron bedsteads—S. FORSTER AND SONS, Harrington-street.

Ex Glendower: 30 cases iron bedsteads—S. FORSTER AND SONS, Harrington-street.

Ex late arrivals: Buggy lamps, ladies' and gent.'s bridles; a large assortment of buggy, gig, and cab saddles; 500 dozen pairs spurs; 2 cases Zair's whips; 6 cases buggy harness, single and pair horse; 1 case steel snaffles and stirrups; 1 bale embroidered saddle cloths; 4 cases plated and solid nickel buggy and cab furnitures and harness; 4 bales kersey, serge, and collar checks; 1 case breastplates, stirrup leathers, and kangaroo girths—BLACKBURN AND CO., Saddlers' Ironmongers, &c., 125, York-street, Sydney.

Ex Iberia (s.): 3 bars 5-in. round iron; 30 kegs sheathing nails—JOHN KEEP AND SON, corner of King and Clarence streets.

Ex Herbert Black: 6 cases hay knives; 5 casks lampware; 9 cases shovels; 9 cases handles; 2 cases burners; 1 case cylinders; 10 casks pumps; 30 cases axes; 1 case twine boxes—JOHN KEEP AND SON, corner of King and Clarence streets.

EXPORTS.—DECEMBER 21.

Orontes, for London: 4546 bales wool, 93 bales leather, 71 bales basils, 31 bales glue pieces, 361 casks tallow, 180 bags flour, 2814 bags copra, 1 case tricycle, 2 cases drapery.

Currajong (s.), for Queensland ports: 1248 cases fruit, 356 bags maize, 216 bags chaff, 50 bags rice, 24 bales hay, 20 bags coffee, 93 packages butter and cheese, 50 cases milk, 8 casks currants, 20 sacks oats, 5 cases lobsters, 13 packages tea, 12 quarter-casks brandy, 5 cases geneva, 151 bags potatoes and onions, 50 cases hops, 17 barrels herrings, 6 packages ploughs, 14 cases sewing machines, 58 packages iron, 1 case clocks, 10 drums oil, 2 cases opium, 44 bundles willows, 7 cases galvanised iron, 21 cases drapery, 4 cases vestas, 31 cases acid, 20 bundles wire, 5 cases drugs, 6 girder plates, 1 parcel notes (£1901), 1 parcel jewellery, and sundries.

Buninyong (s), for Melbourne: 141 bags maize, 40 bags oysters, 4 baskets prawns, 787 cases fruit, 350 pockets sugar, 40 cases whisky, 32 cases bottles, 5 cases leather, 12 bags hair, 275 hides, 44 bales wool, 14 packages drapery, 36 boxes nails, 1 parcel watches, 4 packages saddlery, 13 pieces stone, and sundries.

Lookout, for Auckland: 1447 bags bonedust, 6 drays, and 2 spring carts.

Dora, for Marshall Group: 40 bags rice, 50 kegs and tins rice, 10 cases wine, 31 packages tea, 1 case cutlery, 32 cases meats, 30 kegs 10 barrels beef, 661 pieces timber, 11 cases potatoes and onions, 5 casks cement, and 478 packages.

CUSTOM HOUSE.—Entered Outwards: December 21, Cruiser (s.), 10 tons, Captain G. W. Richards, for Rockhampton; Cimba, ship, 1117 tons, Captain J. Finister, for London; Lookout, schooner, 108 tons, Captain G. Stewart, for Auckland.

The following passengers have booked by steamship Liguria, which leaves for London, via Melbourne and Adelaide, to-day at 1 o'clock p.m.:—For London: Mrs. Baldwin and 2 children, Rev. M. Hoolahan, Messrs. H. F. Collier, A. B. Bright, Mr. and Mrs. J. Bury and child, Mr. G. A. Young, Mr. D. T. Arnott, Rev. and Mrs. Ullmann and 2 children, Mrs. Foley, Miss Chase, Miss [illegible], Revs. Stephenson and Courier, Messrs. B. Fayers, W. M'Ghie, James Smith, David Bissett, T. Hall, and 37 in the third-class and steerage. For Melbourne: Miss Himmelheck, Mr. and Mrs. Everard, Misses Martin, Miss Goldie, Miss King, Mr. and Mrs. Dunlop; Messrs. J. P. M'Arthur, W. Allen, T. E. B. Thompson, R. B. Mansfield, Master Mansfield, Messrs. F. C. Ciper, D. Stewart, B. Isaacs, Schwamm, Paulin, Owen, Himmelheck, H. [illegible]tage, Armstrong, T. J. Martin, F. J. Reid, C. Cropper, J. M'Lintock, C. W. Long, George Clark, J. F. M'Comas, C. J. Goldie, A. Simpson, W. Dawes, G. C. Ewing, Jules Fresse, C. M'Donald.—Young, A. Campbell, F. Grant, A. Morris, J. Malcolm, C. H. Turner, E. Hughes, E. H. Pettie, J. Dunlop, J. Gopp.

The fact cannot be disputed that the quantity of wool which has come forward this season is considerably in excess of that of any previous year, and the past week has shown no falling off in the number of bales which have been received at the various warehouses. Despite of this, however, competition has been so keen amongst shipmasters that the rates of freight now prevailing do little more than cover the working expenses of the ship; and to add to the unpleasantness which this causes not a little tonnage has been imported into the matter. This is scarcely as it should be. There is apparently enough and to spare for everybody in the shape of freight; and but few people would hesitate to pay a fair price if proper arrangements were made to that end. With regard to hides, tallow, and copra, it is asserted that during the season the freight obtained in some instances for their carriage was so low that it would really have been preferable to have taken ballast instead. Whatever may be the value of these statements, it is very clear that ships now a days have not the same advantages which they possessed a few years ago, due in a large measure to the introduction of steam, but also to a largely increased competition amongst sailing vessels themselves. Steady progress is the order of the day amongst the ships now taking in wool. At the Central Wharf, the Dallam Tower has all her deadweight and 200 bales of wool under her hatches; and as there is plenty more wool in store, there is every justification for the statement that she will most likely be able to leave by the beginning of the year. The Cimba, also at the same wharf, has completed her loading and will haul away from the wharf either this afternoon or Monday. There are 4700 bales on board, besides a quantity of bones and horns, 2411 hides, 100 casks of tallow, and sundries. The ship is in fine trim, and should, if at all lucky, uphold her reputation in the run home. The barque Ellora, which arrived on October 11th, with immigrants, after a 75 days' passage, commenced loading on the 22nd ultimo, and has made good headway, there being 2800 bales below, in addition to 60 tons of tallow, 800 tons of chrome ore, 50 tons hides, 30 tons bark, and 5 tons horns. Captain Clayton hopes to be finished by Thursday or Friday next, and to leave on Saturday. The Smyrna, of the White Star line, has lost no time since she was berthed at Parbury's Wharf, as she has now under hatches 700 bales wool, 100 casks tallow, and 2800 bags copra. The remainder of her wool is under the shed, and although it is known that the holidays will interfere with the stowage of cargo, it is fully believed that the whole of the wool, about 2000 bales, will be got on board by the end of the year. On the eastern side of the Circular Quay the Darling Downs has almost completed discharge of her inward cargo, and has taken in all her ballast. She will commence loading next week. The Dharwar has now stowed 5450 bales, besides tallow, hides, bones, horns, and copra, and will finish loading to-day. She will haul away from the wharf either this afternoon or Monday. At the Trafalgar time has not been wasted, as she has now 1100 bales on board, besides all her stiffening; and as there is no lack of wool in store, she will leave about the second week of January. The Orontes is to proceed to sea to-day. Her cargo comprises 4546 bales wool, leather, basils, glue pieces, tallow, copra, &c. It is expected that the La Hogue will get away to-day. Since last week's notes the steamship Aberdeen has left, with over 6000 bales, besides a quantity of copper, &c., for London, via Melbourne, and the ship George Thompson has proceeded to Newcastle to load there for London. The Cutty Sark, with over 4000 bales on board, has completed loading at the latter port, and will probably take her departure on Monday.

The steamship Konoowarra cleared Port Phillip Heads at 6.40 p.m. on the 19th instant, passed Wilson's Promontory at 3.30 a.m. on the 20th, Gabo Island at 7.20 p.m. same date, Cape St. George at 9.15 a.m. on the 21st, and entered Sydney Heads at 6 p.m. same date. Experienced fresh S. and S.W. winds and dull cloudy weather to Gabo, then a fresh N.E. and northerly winds and clear weather to arrival.

The steamship Gunga left the company's wharf, Melbourne, at 2.10 p.m. on the 19th instant, cleared Port Phillip Heads at 7 p.m. same date, passed Wilson's Promontory at 3.55 a.m. on the 20th, rounded Gabo Island at 6.46 p.m. same date, passed Cape St. George at 8.25 a.m. on the 21st, and entered Sydney Heads at 5 p.m. same date, arriving at the company's wharf at 6 p.m. She experienced strong S.W. winds to the Promontory, thence to Gabo fresh winds and fine weather, thence light northerly winds to Cape St. George, and strong north-easterly winds during the remainder of the passage.

The steamship City of Melbourne left Brisbane at 11.15 a.m. on the 19th instant, rounded Cape Moreton at 4 p.m. same date, passed Smoky Cape at 11 a.m. on the 20th, Seal Rocks 6.45 p.m. same date, entered the Heads at 2.40 a.m. on the 21st, and arrived at the company's wharf at 4.15 a.m., thus making the run from Cape Moreton to the wharf in 36 hours. The City of Melbourne experienced moderate north-east and variable northerly winds to Smoky Cape, thence to arrival moderate southerly winds and fine clear weather.

The steamer Richmond cleared the Clarence Heads at 5 p.m. on the 19th instant, passed Seal Rocks at 4 p.m. on the 20th, and entered Sydney Heads at 3 a.m. on the 21st. She experienced light N.E. winds to Seal Rocks, thence light and variable breezes until arrival. The Richmond spoke the s.s. Derwent, bound from Sydney to Brisbane, off Cape Hawke, with machinery disabled. She transhipped mails and six passengers. The Richmond brings the following cargo:—1105 bags maize, 565 bags potatoes, and 25 bags sugar.

The Tomki (s.) left Lismore on Wednesday, 19th instant, at 7.30 a.m., crossed the Richmond bar on Thursday, at 1.30 a.m., arrived in Sydney on Friday, at 10.15 p.m. Experienced northerly winds to Smoky Cape, from thence to Seal Rocks fresh southerly and variable winds. The Tomki brings the following cargo:—3500 mats sugar, 499 bags maize, 10 coops fowls, 9 cases eggs, 100 hides, 2 casks tallow, 5 casks molasses, 2 bales wool, 1 horse, 130 packages sundries. On Friday, at 8.30 p.m., the Tomki sighted a steamer (the Derwent), in tow of the Phoebe (s.), bound south.

The ship Pericles, from Plymouth to Sydney with Government immigrants, passed Wilson's Promontory at 11.15 a.m. yesterday. She reported all well.

The steamship Tiverton, of the Anglo-Australian line, which arrived at Adelaide on the 20th instant from London, sailed yesterday morning for Melbourne and Sydney.

The steamer Taramung passed the Heads, bound north, at 4 p.m. yesterday.

The barque Dora, for Marshall Group, with a general cargo; the schooner Lookout, for Auckland, with bonedust; and the little steamer Cruiser, in ballast, for Rockhampton, cleared at the Customs yesterday.

The ship La Hogue hauled off from the Central Wharf yesterday, and came to an anchorage in Neutral Bay. The following is a list of passengers by her:—Dr. and Mrs. Gresswell, Mrs. Wagstaff, Mrs. Weir, Miss Elsee, Messrs. Eloise, Mitchell, Creagh, and Master Wagstaff. In the manifest already published "cases" of tallow was published instead of casks, bags of "hoops" instead of hoofs, and bags of "bran" instead of bark.

The ship Kelat, bound to San Francisco with a cargo of coal, was towed to sea yesterday morning.

On Wednesday there was launched from the shipbuilding yard of Messrs. Allen and Ward, Long Nose Point, Balmain, a steamer of the following dimensions:—Length 100 feet, beam 17 feet, depth 7 feet. As she left the ways she was named the Albatross. She has been built to the order of Mr. C. E. Jeanneret, for the Parramatta River trade, and is to be fitted with engines of 35 horse power nominal, which are being imported through Messrs. D. and W. Robertson, and are expected to arrive before the expiration of the present month. It is in anticipation that the Albatross will attain a speed of at least 12 knots per hour. The vessel is now nearly complete, and only awaits her machinery.

The Petrel is the name of a steamer built for Mr. C. E. Jeanneret by Mr. W. Dunn, of Berry's Bay. She is 75 feet long, 14 feet beam, and 6 feet deep, and her engines, which were constructed by Messrs. Plenty and Sons, are of 10 horse power nominal, and were obtained through Mr. James Burns, of Macquarie Place. The Petrel was designed and built for the Neutral Bay trade, but when she was nearly finished it was decided to put her into the Hawkesbury and Gosford trade, for which she seems well adapted. The Petrel on her trial trip did the measured mile in a shade under 6 minutes, or equal to 10 miles an hour. She is to commence work on Monday, and can be engaged for Hawkesbury excursions.

The steamer Birksgate, from Adelaide to Sydney, passed Cape Otway at 7 a.m. yesterday.

H.M.S. Raven, bound to Hobart, cleared the Heads at 6 a.m. yesterday.

The steamer Suez, from Hongkong and Singapore to Sydney, via ports, arrived at Port Darwin on the 20th and resumed her voyage yesterday morning.

The China Navigation Company's steamer Whampoa left Port Darwin on Thursday for Hongkong.

The old favourite trader Parramatta, Captain W. Goddard, from London to Sydney, passed Gabo Island, beating north, at 5.20 p.m. yesterday. She reported all well. The following is a list of her passengers:—Rev. and Mrs. Robjohns and 4 children, Major and Mrs. D. Pringle and 4 children, Rev. and Mrs. G. Keeble and 3 children, Mr. and Mrs. Dewhurst and 2 children, Mr. and Mrs. C. Ledger, Mrs. Le Quesne and 4 children, Miss G. A. Le Quesne, Mrs. Champain, Mrs. Dinkwater, Miss M. Drewitt, Miss Franklin, Miss Griffiths, Miss M. T. A. Hughes, Miss K. E. Hughes, Miss Armstrong, Miss H. Keeble, Miss A. M. Robjohns, Miss M. Robjohns, Dr. A. C. Bissell (surgeon), Messrs. S. Pennett, E. Clift, T. J. R. Docking, R. Hoare, F. Norbury, J. Patch, L. W. Le Quesne, Hubert Robjohns, Harry Robjohns, H. R. Waterman, and D. G. Webb, and 40 in the second cabin.

The steamship Western, having returned from the wreck of the Ramsay, steamers or sailing vessels are to be chartered, and will leave at once to bring up whatever of the cargo can be got at. This is to be accomplished with the aid of divers, but it is impossible to tell at present what quantity will be saved.

The ship Abergeldie is to be berthed at the Circular Quay when the Christiana Thompson hauls off.

The barque Dora is to be towed from Dibbs' Wharf to an anchorage below Garden Island to-day.

The barque Mindora was yesterday berthed at Dibbs' Wharf.

The barque Dumfriesshire is to be berthed at Dalton's Wharf to-day, and the barque Herbert Black at Dibbs' Wharf.

The French schooner Gustav, after discharge of her inward cargo, was yesterday towed from Towns' Wharf to Mort's Dock, where she is to receive an overhaul.

The steamship Iberia, which arrived early yesterday morning from London via Melbourne, had an uneventful passage from the latter port. She brings the following passengers from Melbourne:—Miss Edwards, Miss Harper, Messrs. D. F. Walsh, J. S. F. Cowell, Lillie, J. Borrow, and 8 in the second cabin.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING NEWS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

BRISBANE.—Arrived: December 21, Haichow, from Hongkong; Warrego (s.), from Cooktown, and Glenworth (s.), from Sydney. Sailed: Burwah (s.) and Katoomba (s.), for Sydney, and Victoria (s.), for Sydney, via Newcastle. Ranelagh (s.), for Sydney, arrived at Maryborough this afternoon. Dungadee (s.), for Townsville, left Bundaberg this afternoon. Yaralla (s.), for Mackay, arrived at Inskip Point this afternoon. Quiraing (s.), for Port Douglas, left Bowen this morning. Corea (s.), for Sydney, arrived at Townsville yesterday. Catterthun (s.), for Hongkong, left Cooktown yesterday afternoon.

BALLINA.—Departures: December 21, Lismore (s.), at 2.30 p.m. for Sydney.

NEWCASTLE.—Arrivals: December 21, Fiji, from Kingston (S.A.); Malay, barque, from Wellington, with 5 passengers; Cynosure, barque, Annabell, brig, Isabelle, Amy, Scotia, Morpeth (s.), Boomerang (s.), Kembla (s.), Waratah (s.), Hesketh (s.), from Sydney; Taramung (s.), from Melbourne; Champion, from Port Stephens. Departures: December 21, Lapwing, for Valparaiso, with 1080 tons coal; Rio Grande, for Bundaberg; Easby (s.), for Melbourne; Hesketh (s.), for Brisbane; Lota, for Mauritius, with 714 tons coal; Waratah (s.), Wendouree (s.), City of Brisbane (s.), Lady Bowen (s.), Santa Cruz, Bannockburn, Hirondelle, Escort, Isabella, and Menschikoff, for Sydney.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: December 21, ship Parramatta, beating north, at 5.30 p.m. She reports all well.

MELBOURNE.—Arrived: December 21, Cheviot (s.), City of Adelaide (s.), from Sydney; Victorian (s.), from Adelaide; Firth of Clyde (s.), from Glasgow; Aldborough, barque, from London. Sailed: Nemesis (s.), Gabo (s.), for Sydney; Southern Cross (s.), for Launceston; Etna (s.), for London; Penola (s.), for Adelaide.

CAPE OTWAY.—Passed: December 21, Birksgate (s.), bound to Sydney, at 7 a.m.

ADELAIDE.—Arrived: December 21, Berar, barque, from London; Glaucus, from Newcastle; Evelyn, from River Don. Sailed: Claud Hamilton (s.), for Melbourne.

(FROM BOARD AT TELEGRAPH OFFICE.)

BALLINA.—Passed: December 21, Glenworth (s.), north, at 5 a.m.

CLARENCE HEADS.—Arrival: December 21, Kalara (s.), from Brisbane.

MACLEAY HEADS.—Departure: December 21, Queen of the South (s.), for Sydney, at noon.

PORT MACQUARIE.—Departures, December 21. Sophia Ann and Empress of India, for Sydney. Passed: December 21, Tomki (s.), south, at 8 a.m.; Terranora (s.), at 10.45 a.m.

MANNING HEADS.—Arrival: December 21, Rosedale (s.), at 1.30 p.m.

PORT STEPHENS.—Departures: December 21, Caledonia, Helena Davis, Prince Alfred, and Champion. Passed: December 21, two steamers, south, at 8.30 a.m.; a screw steamer, schooner rigged, black funnel with white top, is disabled off the lighthouse, at 11 a.m.

WOLLONGONG.—Arrivals: December 21, Havilah (s.), Beagle (s.), from Sydney. Departure: December 21, Havilah (s.), for Sydney.

KIAMA.—Arrival: December 21, Lass o'Gowrie, from Wollongong.

EDEN.—Arrivals: December 20, Kameruka (s.), at 11.30 p.m., from Sydney. 21st, Mangana (s.), at 7.30 a.m., from Sydney. Departure: December 21, Mangana (s.), at 8 a.m., for Hobart.

GREEN CAPE.—Passed: December 21, two large barques, at 1.30 and 2 p.m. respectively, bound south.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: December 21, a steamer, south, at 11.20 a.m.; the ship Parramatta, beating north, at 5.30 p.m. She reports all well.

WILSON'S PROMONTORY.—Inwards: December 20, City of Adelaide (s.), at 10 p.m.; December 21, Despatch (s.), at 3 a.m. Outwards: December 21, Glendower (s.), at 6 a.m.; Pericles, ship, 76 days out, from Plymouth to Sydney, and Titus (s.), at 11.15 a.m.

MELBOURNE.—Arrivals: December 21, Cheviot (s.), City of Adelaide (s.), from Sydney; Victorian (s.), from Adelaide; Firth of Clyde, ship, from Glasgow; Aldborough, barque, from London. Departures: December 21, Etna (s.), for London.

ADELAIDE.—Arrival: December 21, Berar, barque, from Plymouth. Departure: December 21, Tiverton, (s.), for Melbourne.

PORT DARWIN.—Arrival: December 20, Suez, (s.), from Hongkong, via Singapore. Departures: December 20, Whampoa (s.), for Hongkong, at 3.30 p.m. December 21, Suez (s.), for Sydney.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.—DECEMBER 21.

Western Australia.—Albany, cloudy, with fresh S.W. wind; Perth, fine light S. wind.

South Australia.—Cloudy round southern coast, with fresh westerly winds and steady barometers, sea rough, light rain falling at Eucla, fine inland; hot weather with W. and S. winds and calms, and steady barometers; cloudy on N. coast.

Victoria.—Cloudy round coast, sea moderate, barometers falling, wind light from N.W.; rain at Wilson's Promontory 0·250.

Tasmania.—Fine and clear, fresh W.N.W. wind.

New Zealand.—Cloudy and showery generally, barometers low in south; winds N.W. and W.

New South Wales.—Fine and clear throughout, light northerly and N.E. winds on coast and high land adjoining; smooth sea and rising barometers; on coast no rain.

Queensland.—Fine generally, with N.E. and S.E. winds, and moderate sea. Dull and raining at Cooktown, with strong S.E. wind. Rain measured this morning, 3·080 inches.

3 P.M. OBSERVATIONS.

Victoria.—Melbourne, W.N.W., 18, fine, temperature 80°; Cape Otway, W.N.W., 8, cloudy, sea moderate, temperature 71°; Portland, W., 65, cloudy, smooth sea, temperature 68°; Wilson's Promontory, W., 15, cloudy, slight sea, temperate 67°. Barometers low and still falling; wind freshening at Portland.

New South Wales.—Menindie, S.W., fine, temperature 81°; Wentworth, S.W., fine, temperature 82°; Deniliquin, N., fine, temperature 81°; Albury, W., fine, temperature 78°; Eden, N.E., 14, fine, smooth sea, temperature 72°; Moruya, N.E., 20, cloudy, rough sea, temperature 72°; Sydney, E.N.E., 18, fine, smooth sea, temperature 72°; Newcastle, N.E., fine, smooth sea, temperature 72°; Port Macquarie, S.S.E., 25, fine, smooth sea, temperature 85°; Goulburn, W., fine, temperature 77°.

STATE OF RIVERS.

Murrumbidgee: At Wagga 2 feet 7 inch above summer level; at Hay, 2 feet 2 inches above summer level; at Balranald, 4 feet 5 inches above summer level. Murray: At Albury, 2 feet 4 inches above summer level; at Euston, 16 feet above summer level. Darling: At Wentworth, 13 feet 10 inches above summer level; at Pooncarie, 8 feet 3 inches above summer level; at Menindie, 4 feet 8 inches above summer level; Wilcannia, 4 feet above summer level; at Bourke, low.

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA FOR DECEMBER 22.

Sun rises at 4.48 a.m., sets at 7.10 p.m.; Moon, 12.5 a.m., sets 12.25 p.m.; Mercury, 5.43 a.m., 8.12 p.m.; Venus, 6.26 a.m., 8.45 p.m.; Mars, 10.24 p.m., 8.52 a.m.; Jupiter, 9.14 p.m., 7.24 a.m.; Saturn, 5.2 p.m., 3.20 a.m. Full moon, 14th; new moon, 29th.

High water at Fort Denison, December 22: 1.29 a.m., 1.53 p.m.

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

FRIDAY EVENING.

In the Stock and Share market to-day but few sales were reported. Hudson Brothers were sold at a lower price; and Band and Albion gold were quoted at a lower figure. In Banks, Joint Stock, buyer 16¼, seller 16½; City, buyer 13¼; Commercial realised 110, buyer 109, seller 111; Federal, buyer 30s., seller 31s. 6d.; Mercantile, sold at 5¼, buyer 5½, seller 5¾. New South Wales, buyer 56¼, seller 57½; New Zealand, Sydney register, seller 23½—on New Zealand register, buyer 22½, seller 23; Queensland National, buyer 9, seller 9½; Union, buyer 68. In Steam, Australasian brought 21, and had buyer at 21, seller at 21½; Balmain Ferry, buyer 17s. 6d., seller 18s. 6d.; Clarence and Richmond Rivers, seller 7½—preferent, buyer 12; Hunter River, seller 11½; Illawarra, buyer 7, seller 8; Newcastle, buyer 18s., seller 19s.; North Shore Ferry, buyer 33s., seller 35s.; Port Jackson, seller 78s. In Insurance, General had seller at 97s. 6d.; Australian Mutual, buyer 12s., seller 14s.; City Mutual, buyer 1s., seller 1s. 1d.; Mercantile Mutual, buyer 2s. 3d., seller 2s. 6d.; New Zealand, buyer 72s. 6d.; Pacific, seller 78s.; Sydney Marine, buyer 40s., seller 44s.; United, buyer 54s., seller 58s. Australian Gaslight sold at 12½, buyer 12¼, seller 12⅝—new shares sold at 67s., buyer 66s., seller 70s.; Castlemaine Brewery, buyer 23s. 6d., seller 24s. City Carrying, seller 9s.; Commercial Building and Investment, seller 62s.; Hudson Brothers' realised 13s., buyer 12s. 9d., seller 13s.; Saywell's, seller 17s. 3d.; Shale and Oil, seller 16s. 9d.; Exchange, buyer 11, seller 12; Sydney Freehold, buyer 21s. Perkins' Brewery, seller 18s. In Coal, Bulli, seller 11½; Vale of Clwydd, buyer 29s., seller 30s.; Wallsend, seller 33; Waratah, seller 12½. In Copper, Great Cobar, buyer 71s., seller 73s.; Nymagee, buyer 43s. 6d., seller 44s. 6d. Brickwood Tin, buyer 13s. 3d., seller 16s. 6d.; Wesley, buyer 13s. 3d., seller 14s. Barmedman Gold, seller 4s. 9d.; Hidden Treasure, seller 2s. 6d.; Band and Albion, buyer 17s., seller 18s. N. S. W. Funded Stock, seller 101; Debentures, due 1901, seller 109½.

The news of the successful floating of the £3,000,000 loan has been received with general satisfaction. Although the balance of belief was in the cable news which told us that the loan would be floated, yet that so large an amount as £7,593,000 would be tendered for could hardly have been anticipated by the most sanguine, in the face of some telegrams that the announcement of the loan had caused a semi-panic in financial circles. That there was any just ground for panic in this colony applying for another £3,000,000 within six months after the last, although perhaps not a very judicious arrangement, could not be entertained for one moment by anyone here or anyone in England knowing us and our resources; but the general uncertainty of the power of the English brokers naturally created a feeling of doubt. It has happily been shown that they do not monopolise the market, though no doubt the loan would have gone off better but for them. In an easy money market, under ordinary conditions, we think our loan is worth more than the sum paid for it, and a few weeks will very probably show that it is so, to the advantage of those who have taken it. The following are the loans negotiated since 1858, and constituting our colonial debt:—

Date of Loan.	Years' Currency.	Amount of Loan.	Amount raised.	Average rate per cent. loan charges, &c.	Nominal Interest per cent	Real Interest per cent.
1858	30	130,400	125,888	90.56	5	5 13 3
1859	30	818,190	816,778	99.09	5	5 1 3
1860	30	560,900	556,654	99.20	5	5 1 0
1861	30	206,960	205,887	98.85	5	5 1 7
1862	30	486,560	485,391	97.22	5	5 3 10
1863	30	610,000	613,247	99.78	5	5 0 3
1864	30	288,300	287,609	99.01	5	5 1 5
1865	30	292,800	269,974	91.49	5	5 11 6
1866	30	1,001,900	899,216	88.49	5	5 18 4
1867	30	312,800	287,448	81.32	5	5 2 1
1868	30	1,500,000	1,430,261	88.52	5	5 16 4
1869	...	1,000,000	981,655	96.55	5	5 4 2
1870 1871	30	985,100	972,696	97.91	5	5 2 11
1872	30	406,600	422,666	103.90	4	4 15 0
1873	Inter.	222,284	217,270	97.74	4	4 2 0
1874	Inter.	282,953	268,808	95.	4	4 5 11
1875	30	1,000,000	900,581	80.12	4	4 13 0
1876	30	901,500	837,186	92.22	4	4 9 4
1879	30	3,249,500	3,099,443	97.81	4	4 3 8
1881	30	2,050,000	2,120,630	102.56	4	3 16 10
1882	30	2,000,000	2,149,916	101.57	4	3 18 3

To these must be added the loan of £3,000,000 raised last July 17 at a premium of 3s., and the loan of £3,000,000 now negotiated, at a premium of 12s. 6d., both loans having a currency of 50 years. The charges and other particulars of these loans not being available we cannot include them in the table. With the proceeds of this loan and that of Victoria, together with the income from the sale of our wool and wheat harvests, an appreciable easement of the money market ought soon to be felt, unless the present dry weather in the interior should be prolonged into a drought, in which case graziers may require a continuance, or in some cases an extension, of the accommodation now given to them. In that event the money market may not become easy so soon as anticipated.

The fourteenth annual report of the National Mutual Life Association of Australasia shows that for the year ended 1st December 4292 new policies had been issued, amounting to £1,081,707. The renewal premiums were £92,477; the new annual premiums £36,145; the single premiums, £25. 94 deaths had occurred, involving claims to the amount of £25,641. The total funds at the end of the year reached £304,427. The annual income at the same date was equal to £150,796.

The Associated Stock and Share Brokers at their meeting to-day adjourned until the 2nd of January. Nearly all the fire and marine insurance companies have announced their intention to close their offices on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday next; and in the import markets business will practically be suspended during that time.

In the import markets to-day very few transactions of an important character came under notice, and the opinion is now general that in other than distributing and retail lines business is practically over for the year. The flour trade is characterised by steadiness. From the country districts more flour is coming to hand, the good prices now ruling evidently causing country millers to press forward supplies, the quantity coming at so late a period in the year clearly showing that the production was very much beyond that of previous years. To-day's quotations are—South Australian, town brands, £11 10s. to £12; country, £10 10s. to £11; New South Wales, £10 to £11 10s.; Victorian, £10 10s. to £11 10s. Wheat is worth 4s. 5d. to 4s. 6d. The tea market is characterised by a better feeling; buyers operate with more freedom as the belief grows that prices are more likely to rule higher than lower. No sales of any importance came under notice to-day. Messrs. Alfred Harvey and Co., in their Melbourne tea report of yesterday's date, fully confirm the reports of an active trade and advance in prices of the lower, common, and most desirable qualities of tea, in which there has been a very active business done, the general belief being that with the light shipments, and the probability of the outbreak of war to interfere with the trade, prices are likely to be firmer rather than weaker. While there has been some falling-off in the shipments of sugar from our northern rivers, the imports from Queensland continue on a very large scale, and tend to prevent any very marked advance on the low prices ruling during the late glut. The trade, however, are buying freely, and on the whole prices are rather dearer than last week, say about 10s. to 20s. per ton; but while shipments continue so large there is not much likelihood of any great change in the market. Ration may be quoted at £20 to £21, yellow from £24 to £28, grey from £24 to £26, light from £28 to £30, and the various grades of white to £31 10s., which is asked for prime sugar; £31 5s. wanted for prime samples of China sugar. The coffee market is not strong. No. 1 Ceylon Plantation is quoted at 10d. to 10½d., according to quantity. Chicory worth 6½d. to 6¾d. Epps' cocoa is still scarce, and commands 1s. 5½d.; Taylor's, 1s. 6½d. Ordinary grades of rice are selling at about £13 10s. to £14; fine table sorts selling to £19. Sago and tapioca are quoted at 11d. to 1½d.: lower prices being accepted for parcels for forward delivery. Pepper, black, 10d.; white, 1s. 2d. London pickles, 8s. 3d.; Popular pickles scarce, and quoted at 6s. 8d. Candles, D.R.J.'s, 9¼d. to arrive, and 9½d. on the spot. Coarse salt is worth 65s., fine 85s. to 90s., according to description; and rock has been purchased at 70s., holders being firm at that figure. In dried fruits good currants are obtainable at 5½d., inferior fruit at a somewhat lower figure; elemes at 6d. to 6½d.; sultanas, 7½d.; figs, 9s. 6d. to 10s.; candied peel, 9½d. In fish there is very little movement. Although the quantity of salmon advised by mail is not large, the demand is not active, and 7s. to 7s. 3d. is value according to brand. Sardines are worth 5s. 6d. and 4s. 9d. for halves and quarters respectively; quarters of good fish still scarce. Fresh herrings are quoted at 5s. 6d. to 5s. 7½d. Star lobsters in good demand at 8s.; oysters, 6s. In brewers' goods, prime malt is still in light stock, and 7s. 9d. may be quoted for parcels; small lots to brewers moving at 8s. to 8s. 3d. Hops still have a downward tendency; for Californian 1s. 6d. is a full figure; colonial worth 1s. 6d. to 1s. 9d.; and new Kents quoted from 1s. 9d. to 1s. 10d. In liquors, a good steady trade demand is noted for bottled beers and stout, there being no change in value or special feature to bring under notice. In wines there has been some trade, but, judging of general report, not so much as usual at this season of the year. Hennessy's brandy, single star, is rather scarce, and worth 35s.; three star plentiful, and selling at a slight decline. For Walker's and other whisky the demand is fairly good, and moderate trade sales are quoted. A few of the leading brands are selling for forward delivery. Lowndes' rum, 4s. In metals we note a steady trade in galvanised iron at from £22 to £24 5s., the latter being quoted for Gospel Oak. Sheet lead placed at £13, with more than adequate stocks. The sales of fencing wire continue of an unimportant character, and prices rule low, £11 10s., £12 10s., and £11 10s., nominally quoted for Nos. 6, 8, and 10 of leading brands, but business has been done at somewhat less for Nos. 6 and 8. Charcoal tinplates have been taken more freely, and are worth 23s. to 25s. 6d.; Cokes, to arrive, have sold to 20s.; spot stocks scarce in distributors' hands. In oils there is no very noteworthy feature; raw and boiled is in demand at 3s. 3d. in drums, for best sorts; China, 3s. 4d. to 3s. 5d.; castor, 3s. 7d. In jute goods, there is nothing special to notice; woolpacks, 11½d. lb., full weights, are quoted at 2s. 6d.; and cornsacks are selling at 8s. There is a brisk inquiry for cement, altogether beyond the ability of the distributing houses to supply; and 10s. 6d. for 100 barrel lots is value. There was not a large supply of forage or produce at the Darling Harbour market this morning. The market was well attended. Quotations are—Green lucerne in truss, 4s. per cwt.; clean straw in bundles, 4s. 2d. to 4s. 6d.; oaten chaff, 4s. 3d. to 6s. 4d. per cwt.; wheaten and oaten hay in bales, 6s. 3d.—in bundles, 5s. 1d. to 5s. 3d. per cwt.; wheaten hay in truss, 4s. 7d. per cwt.; old oaten hay in bales, 6s. 6d.—in truss, 4s. 6d.—in bundles, 5s. 6d. to 5s. 9d. per cwt.; new oaten hay in bundles, 5s. 10d. to 6s. 3d.; in truss, 5s. to 6s 1d., and in sheaves 6s. 4d. per cwt.

The sales along the wharfs this morning were well attended, and there was a good supply of produce forward. The following were the quotations:—Hunter River new potatoes, £3 to £3 10s.; Clarence River potatoes, £4 to £4 10s.; Melbourne garden potatoes, £3 to £3 10s. per ton; lucerne hay, 4s. to 8s. per ton; maize, 3s. 4d.; feed oats, 3s. 6d.; bran, 1s.; 2s. 5d. to 2s. 6d. per bushel; Cape barley, 4s. per bushel; beeswax, 9d. to 10d.; honey, 4d. to 6d.; lard, 5d. to 7d.; ham, 1s. to 1s. 1d.; bacon, 9d. to 10d.; cheese, 5d. to 8d.; butter, 7d. per lb.; eggs, 1s. 9d. per dozen; Victorian oaten chaff, £5 to £5 10s.; ditto straw chaff, £3 10s. to £4 per ton.

Messrs. Mort and Co., Limited, report having sold 4220 bales wool at auction and privately this week. Competition was again active at their second sale held to-day, values being fully on a par with those current on Wednesday. Greasy brought from 7½d. to 11½d., medium to fair fleece 15d. to 18d. Of scoured no attractive lots were offered, but for this description there is good inquiry. Pieces, bellies, and locks were not so readily placed, except at reduced values. Amongst the principal lots sold were: over B, greasy, at 11½d.; AWU, 43 bales at 11½d.; 4 in diamond, 39 bales at 10d.; JP over [illegible], 30 bales at 9d.; F. Brs. over Bendimine, 50 bales at 11½d.; BS over 2, 66 bales at 10½d.; over JWB over Rockley, 18 crossbred at 10½d.; BD over A, 41 at 9½d, 27 crossbred at 9d.; Warroo, 47 at 9d.; MT over diamond, 70 at 11d., 37 skirts at 8½d.; M, 24 bales washed fleece at 18d.; JC over Woodbury, 23 at 16½d.; SOC, at 16½d.; FG, 26 at 18d.; RIE, 35 at 17d.; JC over Numby, 17 at 17½d.

Messrs. John Bridge, Brunker and Wolfe, Mort and Co., Limited; Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited; and Hill, Clark, and Co., held their weekly sales of tallow and hides to-day. For tallow the demand was good, both for local requirements and shipment. Best mutton is quoted at £33 10s. to £34; prime beef at £32 to £33. Prime heavy hides were somewhat dearer, and brought up to 4½d.; other descriptions from 3d.

The ship Orontes cleared at the Customs this afternoon for London, with 4546 bales wool, 93 bales leather, 71 bales basils, 31 bales glue pieces, 361 casks tallow, 180 bags flour, 2814 bags copra, 1 case bicycles, and 2 cases drapery.

The Customs duties received to-day were as follows:—Spirits, £2018 15s. 6d.; wine (still), £131 16s. 4d.; wine (sparkling), £68 16s. 7d.; ale, porter, and beer (in wood), £250; ditto (in bottle), £135 13s. 9d.; tobacco and snuff, £9 8s.; cigars, £311 12s. 11d.; tea, £116 18s. 9d.; coffee and chicory, £5 17s. 6d.; sugar (unrefined), £150 1s. 3d.; opium, £24; rice, £37 13s. 8d.; dried fruits, £147 16s. 10d.; malt, £105; hops, £12 2s. 6d.; sarsaparilla, £1; specific duty, £732 9s. 8d.; fisheries royalty, £30; pilotage, £147 8s. 4d.; harbour and light dues, £90: total, £4736 11s. 8d.

STOCK SALES.

William Sloane and Co. report having sold on account of Messrs Govett and Palmer, of Culloden station, Mitchell District, Queensland, 1000 female cattle, 1 to 4 years—Messrs. C. F. Gardiner and Co. being the purchasers. Also on account of Messrs. Conran Brothers and Co., of Yamala and Gordon Downs, Queensland, 250 rams—Messrs. Fraser, Baillie, and Donald being the purchasers; also on account of the same owners, 300 rams bred at Talgai, Darling Downs—Messrs. Christeson Brothers, of Lammermuir, being the purchasers.—[ADVT.]

Trebeck and Son report having sold on account of C. Avrey, Esq., Warrenooke, Victoria, 1 stud ram at 250 guineas, and 30 stud 4-year-old ewes at 4 guineas, to Andrew Murray, Esq., Inverell; and with Messrs. Wilson Brothers and Munro, Roma, on account of T. H. Smith, 50 Durham bulls at £13 10s.—[ADVT.]

LATEST COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, DEC. 20.

The weekly returns of the Bank of England, issued to-day, show the proportion of reserve to liabilities to be 43 per cent., and the total reserve in notes and bullion, £13,000,000.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

MELBOURNE, FRIDAY.

Victorian Mining Stock.—Sales: Golden Stream, 20s.; Hepburn Estate, 11s. to 11s. 6d.; Long Tunnel, £75; Lord Harry, 93s. 6d.; Queen's Birthday, 18s.; South Devonshire, 13s.; South St. Mungo, 15s. to 15s. 6d.

Flour is quoted at £9 10s. for old, and £9 7s. 6d. for new. Wheat is selling at 4s. 3d.; maize at 4s. In sugars—Mauritius whites are selling up to £33. Currants are quoted at 5½d.; hops are selling at 2s. 3d. Japan rice is quoted at £18 to £19. There have been good sales of spirits.

The Australasian Mortgage and Agency Company report:—We offered to-day 1300 bales wool, and sold 1520; competition was keen, and previous value was maintained. 130 bales of greasy (Tooma) brought 12½d.; 109 bales from Acheron brought 11½d., and numerous lots from 10d. to 11d. per lb. Scoured, active, sold to 21½d., cold water washed to 17¼d.

ADELAIDE, FRIDAY.

Wheat is steady; there is a good trade demand, the ruling prices being 4s. 3d. to 4s. 4d. for farmers' lots, and 4s. 5d. to 4s. 6d., f.o.b., at Port Adelaide, for shipping parcels. Flour remains unchanged at previous quotations.

THE MAILS.

Mails will be made up at the General Post Office for the undermentioned places as follows:—

FOR MELBOURNE.—Overland, this day, at 7 p.m.
FOR ADELAIDE.—Overland, via Melbourne, this day, at 7 p.m.
FOR MELBOURNE AND LAUNCESTON.—Overland to Melbourne, and thence per steamer, this day, at 7 p.m.
FOR MERIMBULA AND EDEN.—By the Bega (s.), this day, at 8 p.m.
FOR BRISBANE.—By the Lyee-Moon (s.), this day, at 11 a.m.
FOR BRISBANE, MARYBOROUGH, AND ROCKHAMPTON.—By the Leura (s.), this day, at 1 p.m.
FOR BRISBANE AND NORTHERN PORTS.—By the Gunga (s.), this day, at 3 p.m.
FOR GRAFTON.—By the Helen Nicoll (s.), this day, at 8 p.m.
FOR GOSFORD.—By the Jenny Lind (s.), this day, at 9.30 p.m.; and on Monday, by the Pelican (s.), at 9.30 p.m.
FOR SOUTHERN PORTS OF NEW ZEALAND, VIA MELBOURNE AND BLUFF.—Overland to Melbourne, and thence per Tarawera (s.), on Monday, at 7 p.m.
FOR MACLEAY RIVER.—By the Queen of the South (s.), on Monday, at 8 p.m.

DESPATCH OF MAILS FOR THE UNITED KINGDOM.

Despatched by	Date.	Letters.	Newspapers.	Late Letters.
Orient S. S. Company's steamer Liguria.	Thursday, Dec. 27.	Registered, 4.30 p.m.; Money-orders, 1 p.m.; Unregistered, 5 p.m. Postage, 6d. per ½oz.	4.30 p.m.; Postage, 1d.	6.30 p.m.; extra fee, 6d.

ABSTRACT OF SALES BY AUCTION THIS DAY.

WELLS and GREENHALGH.—At Newtown, at 7, Wood, &c.; at Darling Harbour, at 8, Wood, &c.
CADOGAN and CRANE.—At 28, Queen-street, Woollahra, at 11, Stock-in-Trade of a Carpenter, Shop Fittings, &c.; at No. 12, Bridge-street, at 11, Office Table, Desks, &c.
T. PHILLIPS.—At No. 12, St. John-street, Cook's River-road, at 3, Furniture and Effects.
MILLS and PILE.—On the Ground, Westmead, Parramatta, at 3.30, Land.
T. R. SMITH, CHAPMAN, and SMITH.—On the Ground, Cooper Park Estate, at 3, Land.
ELLIS and CO.—At Gilbert Forbes' Hotel, Campbelltown, at 3.30, Farm.
THE SHERIFF.—On the Premises, Prospect, at 12, Furniture, Stock-in-Trade of Publican.
DENT and PERRY.—At Newtown, at 7, Wood, &c., at Darling Harbour, at 8, Wood, &c.
H. L. DUNN and SON.—At their Rooms, at 10, Furniture and Effects.
J. BRIDGE.—At his Stores, at 9.30, Horns, Bones.
F. L. PARKER.—At his Stores, at 9.30, Hair, &c.
J. L. ASPINALL.—At his Mart, at 11, Furniture, &c.
T. O'TOOLE.—On the Ground, Balmain North, at 2.30, Land.
BAINS and PHILLIPS.—At No. 6, Palmerston-terrace, Glebe Point-road, at 2, Furniture and Effects.
P. M. SEERS and CO.—At 229, George-street, at 2.30, Fancy Goods, &c.
P. O. A. and A. COMPANY.—At their Rooms, at 10.30, Bronzes, Vases, Toys, Watches, Clocks, &c.
LAVERACK and CO.—At 102, Dowling-street, at 11, Furniture and Effects.
SAUNDERS and CO.—At their Rooms, at 11, Furniture and Effects.
S. PROCTER.—At his Mart, at 12, Poultry, Hams, &c.
W. INGLIS and SON.—At their Yards, at 11, Calves, Pigs, &c.

Special Advertisements.

HER SPEECH RESTORED.

Clair View, Inverell, December 10, 1883.

Messrs. Publishers S. M. Herald.

Dear Sirs,—I beg to acquaint you of a marvellous cure following on the use of St. Jacobs Oil, which has taken place in my own family. I am a poor man with eight children, and for years have been a great sufferer from [illegible]. My wife was advised to try St. Jacobs Oil. She procured a bottle, and I have been using it of late with good results; but it is of my eldest daughter, 13 years of age, that I wish to tell you. For about four months ago she had lost her usual good health, but the next morning she could not speak. My wife took her to Inverell to see the doctor, who said her throat was ulcerated low down, and he prescribed cod liver oil and other medicines; and also advised her to inhale the fumes of [illegible]. She did not recover [illegible] her speech again. At the expiration of a fortnight, the medicine having been finished, another visit to the Dr. was made, who again prescribed for her, but told my wife he had no hope of her ever being able to speak again. We began to despair, but the day I used the oil—about three months after she was taken ill—I persuaded my wife after we had retired, to use the oil. She got up and gave the girl two drops in water and rubbed it on her throat. Next morning we were delighted to find that she could talk as well as ever, and has been able to do so ever since.

I remain, Gentlemen, gratefully yours,
JAS. R. HATCHER.

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By order of the Board.
ALEXANDER J. RALSTON, Secretary.

NOTICE.

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The above Company having secured the right to advertise at the Railway Stations of New South Wales from the 1st of January, 1884, hereby give notice that all Advertisements now in existence cease on the 31st December instant, and all firms wishing to continue such advertisements must arrange for the same with the undersigned at the Office of the Company, 99, Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

THOMAS ATKINSON, Manager.

Messrs. W. T. Coonan and Co., Messrs. Macnamara and Oshiltree, solicitors for the Company.

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The Sydney Morning Herald.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1883.

The loan, after all, has gone off well—extremely well in the light of the somewhat alarming telegrams which arrived here on Saturday. The brokers, instead of cornering the colonists, have been cornered themselves. Their cry was obviously to run down the price with the object of making a handsome profit out of the re-lending operation. It was said we were placing too many loans on the market—that we should only get this one on a pledge that we did not come again for another under eighteen months. It has been proved that we were not asking too much, for the amount has been covered two and a-half times over. There were buyers of whom the brokers, or of whom some of them, knew nothing; for the telegrams, telling us on the one hand that the brokers said we should get the money, and on the other that they said we should only get it on conditions, implied that there was a difference of opinion. There are brokers and brokers: and those who spoke favourably evidently knew a little more, or were a little more honest, than those who uttered the cry of caution. We have not only got the loan, and got it unconditionally, but we have got a premium of 12s. 6d. The loan in July realised a premium of 3s. only. It is true that we this time have had an easier money market to borrow in, and perhaps would have had a better result had not an interested opposition been awakened through the press. The most satisfactory feature of the loan, after getting it on such good terms, is that it was taken without the intervention of the brokers who disparaged it. There were tenders for £5,000,000 over and above the amount for which they tendered. On another occasion they may gauge the position more accurately. They will have to take into account the growing value of Australian securities. The inscription has given them an enhanced value. Buyers of Consols are now in some cases taking them for choice. Brokers may in future have to count upon the opposition of tenderers outside their own particular rings; and it is to be hoped they have had a lesson which they will not forget. For yet another reason are we glad of the success of the loan. It cannot fail to help our Victorian neighbours next month. There are four and a-half millions awaiting investment in colonial stocks; and while the securities of New South Wales for a variety of reasons are undoubtedly the better, there is no such difference in value as to lead to the supposition that those who have been unable to get the one will not take the other. The fact that it is now known that so much money awaits investment may increase the competition for the Victorian loan, and get for it even a better price than has been given for ours. In looking at the price paid for the loan, of course we must remember that the deferred payments and accrued interest will knock off the premium, leaving only a net return of about £99. This is the second loan that has been floated for fifty years—and so far without any explanation from the Colonial Treasurer. The present prices of our existing thirty and fifty years' loans do not favour the idea that more value is attached to those having the longer currency. On this subject perhaps the Treasurer may give us some explanation in his Financial Statement. Besides, it does not seem a very good thing to have £6,000,000 of loan falling due in one year. Perhaps he may tell us something about that also. No doubt £6,000,000 will not seem so large a sum to the colony in fifty years time; but prudence would obviously dictate that we should not fix large amounts of loan to fall due at one particular date. The Victorian Government has this year experienced the inconveniences of an arrangement of that kind.

Although the concession recently made by the Imperial Government to the producers and exporters of wine in Spain does not meet with unqualified approval from the Spanish press, it is a change which may affect the wine industry of Australia to no slight extent. For many years the British tariff has remained inflexible. The duty on wines containing up to 26 degrees of proof spirit has been 1s. per gallon, and for wines which were of greater strength, but not more than 42 degrees, 2s. 6d. per gallon, the object being not so much to raise revenue as to encourage the consumption of natural or unfortified wines. During the past 20 years it has been on several occasions represented to the Imperial authorities that the standard they had adopted was too low, and evidence has been afforded that natural wines in many countries may be above the 26° standard by at least a few degrees. It was shown that while the tariff favoured the low strength wines of France, the produce of the vineyards of Italy, Spain, and Portugal was handicapped to the extent of 1s. 6d. per gallon. About 11 years ago, Mr. Fallon, on behalf of the colony and Australia generally, took part in the protest, and, acting upon the suggestion of the London Colonial Institute, the revenue inspectors of this colony and Victoria forwarded an official report to England which proved conclusively that wines could be produced in Australia containing more than 26 degrees of proof spirit, and therefore under the existing conditions not to be placed in the cellars of consumers in Britain on terms as favourable as the natural wines of France. The report and the representations of the institute, however, were unavailing, and it was not until March of last year that another attempt to effect a change in the tariff was made. In that month an influential deputation of gentlemen connected with the colonies of Britain waited upon Earl Kimberley, when it was suggested that instead of charging 1s. 6d. per gallon on all wines above the 26° standard a sliding scale of 1d. for every degree should be adopted. The colonists made a very strong case, especially Mr. W. G. Soper, who attended on behalf of the South African Association. This gentleman explained that before the alteration of the duties, in 1860, the consumption of Cape wines was 10 per cent. of the total consumption of wine in England, and that this amply proved that if the Cape farmers could get a market they could produce an article which the market would take. Previous to 1860 the Cape enjoyed a preferential duty, but they did not ask his lordship to grant them any favour. He explained they were practically prohibited, and they asked that this prohibition should be removed. He pointed out that since the alteration of the duty the wine trade of the Cape had gradually diminished. In 1859, 1,094,000 gallons, valued at £154,000, were exported; in 1864 this had decreased to 175,000 gallons, valued at £25,000; and in 1877, to 76,000 gallons, valued at £14,000, proving the almost prohibitory action of the fiscal duties. The Cape wines contain as much as 34 degrees of proof spirit, and possibly it was the knowledge of this which prompted the Minister to shift the responsibility of a reply to the Chancellor of the Exchequer. The representations of the deputation, although supported to a certain extent by the press, had no effect, and no more was heard of the matter until this month, when, as stated in our cable message, it was announced that the Imperial Government had decided to admit into England Spanish wines up to a strength of 30° proof spirit at a duty of 1s. per gallon.

But the Spaniards are not quite satisfied with this change, and, relying upon a commercial treaty, claim that the limit shall be eight degrees higher; and Sir William M'Arthur, having the interests of the colonies at heart, invited the London Chamber of Commerce to claim for them concessions similar to those granted to Spain. We now learn through Melbourne that the concession will take the form of a change in the tariff, and so affect the wines of all the world. Assuming that the minimum for the shilling charge is fixed for 30°, the concession, granted to the colonies as well as Spain, may have a favourable effect. There are not many parts of Australia which yield wines that would not come under the proposed standard. Indeed, it would be much more advantageous to Australia if the minimum of 30° were firmly maintained. The wine which contains 38 degrees of proof spirit is an exceptional wine. The limit sought by Spain would encourage the export from various countries of fortified fluids. The sliding scale suggested last year would be fairer to all parties concerned. The jump from 1s. to 2s. 6d. is rather high. The wine which happens to be a shade over the 26° rate is handicapped to the extent of 3s. per dozen, a sum sufficient to restrict its consumption.

In the matter of wine production it may be said that the industry on this side of the globe is but in its infancy. The area under vineyards is about 14,000 acres, but there are millions of acres suitable for grape vines. The favourable verdicts received recently at Bordeaux, and the hundreds of orders received for wines similar to those exhibited there, very clearly indicate that the wines of Australia, although often roughly manipulated, are appreciated by some of the best connoisseurs of Europe. At present home consumption is but barely met. There is a dearth of skilled labour for the vineyards. Capital is being run through other grooves, but not through lack of enterprise. Wine producing is a business which is not yet well understood. The few who do understand it, however, are doing well. The new concession should tend to bring about the enlargement of the area under vines, and ultimately lead to extensive emigration on the part of skilled European vignerons to Australia.

A recent visitor comments upon our conditions of life in a tone which contrasts somewhat with the lavish praise usually bestowed upon our institutions. "As chairman of a sanitary board in England," he says, "I have had to deal with a large area, and I assert that in the smallest villages of the old country such abominations would not be allowed to exist for one week as here meet the eye in so many directions." Like the fulsome compliment, we may discount that indiscriminate condemnation by the accurate knowledge gained from continuous practical observation. Neither our city nor our suburbs contain abominations more vile than are to be found in many areas of England less densely populated. We have no slums that are not abodes of comfort and health by comparison with viler quarters of London or Glasgow, and in the broader measures for the preservation of the city health it is probable that we are abreast of most great cities of the world. We have taken the best advice the world afforded upon a sewerage system, and we have set about the provision of the requirement of that system with no niggard hand. We have voted millions for the cleansing of the city, and if the city is vile now, it is owing to its transitory stage, the passing of a huge accumulation of human dwellings, built in haste and without plan, to a well-ordered city fitted with the health and comfort appliances the modern civilisation requires. This visitor speaks as he sees, perhaps; but he only sees the surface, and it is as reasonable to speak upon such observation as to say that a certain area is devoted to disorder and muddle because it is in the hands of the foundation-layers of a great house. The completion of the present sewerage and water supply contracts will not leave much to be deplored so far as the city is concerned; but where does, where will the city end? What is the use of staying to perfect drainage for a central block if all around are other blocks equally dense literally stewing in their own filth?

The stranger or the citizen who doubts such contrasts as these can obtain assurance by a very little personal examination. Let him look at that huge suburb of North Shore, already grown into five boroughs, with a population of twenty-five thousand people, in a few years to develop into the city of North Sydney with a hundred and twenty-five thousand, and surely he will marvel as he looks, and discovers lanes not wide enough to find turning room for the most ordinary vehicle, drainage running down slopes and gullies to the pollution of every cove of the harbour, fæcal matter in process of desiccation upon the uplands, and no provision whatever made for the sanitary requirements of the present or the certain wants of the future. A city growing by chance, precisely as the old city grew.

And the North Shore is by no means alone in this respect. Here and there we may find a cleanly suburb, being absolutely in the control of decent people; but in the majority, cheapness and profit rule, and no thought is taken beyond the morrow, which is looked to for a maximum of rent and cheap convenience. Each man does what suits himself best, and thinks very little indeed of his neighbours.

These conditions seem to imply a lack of good government, resulting chiefly from a lack of collective knowledge. The will to reform may be traced in countless erratic or impulsive movements, whose use is largely lost by their haste and diffusiveness. The Width of Streets and Lanes Act stands almost alone amongst our efforts at the proper control of the true metropolis, and that is chiefly valuable as the assertion of a principle capable of infinite development. If there is right and duty in the matter at all, there is just as much, and also just as much necessity, to say to the landed proprietor, "You shall not build in that fashion, as you shall not build in that place; and you shall not build without proper provision for the disposal of rubbish, as you shall not build without free avenues for traffic and air." Absolute right is certainly held, nor is will wanting. What then? Chiefly a true collectivism wedded to a proper foresight, a gathering of actual facts about present conditions, and a forecast of the certainties of a future which is now defined with tolerable clearness.

The conviction of Samuel Nathan, furniture dealer, of Melbourne, of aiding and abetting disorderly persons by letting furnished houses to them, strikes at a new order of offenders in this particular line. The keepers of houses have frequently been punished, but here the police have pushed the question of "Who are the keepers?" somewhat closer, and have obtained an answer from the magistrates, "All those who participate in the profits." There is little doubt that Nathan participated in the profits of the houses he furnished. He made extraordinary profits, and he took extraordinary risks, the twelve months' imprisonment amongst the latter. But how will the conviction affect others who may be sharing similar profits? May we expect the Melbourne police, their hands strengthened by this declaration of the law, to commence a general war against all proprietors of disorderly houses, or will they be content to let the example stand as a warning? The houses in which Nathan was interested had become a social nuisance. Will it be enough if the proprietors of all other houses of the sort keep them within those bounds which society will tolerate, or will only a lesson in cunning be taught, and the true proprietor be only approachable through a multitude of agents who will shift the blame about till it can only be fixed, as usually it has been fixed, upon the actual resident and keeper of the house? Would it not be better that the former should be the case, and that the responsibility should be fixed primarily upon the actual owner of the house and its furnishings? It seems an absurd thing to say that a proprietor of goods used for purposes of gain has no responsibility in their use. Responsibility and property increase in the same ratio, and the wholesale dealer in furniture or the letter of many houses is under the same obligations to society for the proper usage of all as the owner of one small cottage; and it would be very much better for society if those responsibilities were a little more clearly recognised, and the penalties for that neglect more stringently enforced. The proprietor may possibly transfer his responsibilities to an agent; if so, the agent must take them wittingly, and with a full knowledge of the penalties incurred thereby. It seems now that this responsibility will be clearly fixed, that there will be no endless search for the true proprietor. The house cannot make to itself wings, neither the furniture, and the proprietor of both will be likely to stand by his property, and, in the light of this late event, to see that it is not made an instrument of offence against the good order of the community.

Mr. Service has written officially to the Victorian Agent-General respecting the arrival of a fresh batch of French convicts in New Caledonia. The number of these undesirable colonists is on the increase. Already there are 155 in New South Wales, and 92 more distributed through the other colonies. If the information respecting the character of these men be correct, they are now a source of trouble, and in a little time the trouble may become a danger. A good many of them have been transported for murder, or other crimes of violence; and there is *prima facie* proof that they are men of a bad type. Their number in New Caledonia is being steadily increased. As many as 373 were recently landed there. The accommodation which that country can afford for the settlement of such persons has its limitations. If the soil would bear them, society may be unwilling to do so. The Government itself will not be over-anxious to prevent the escape of prisoners who, not being political characters, will not hasten back to France, but who will do their best to reach Australia. Unfortunately, New Caledonia is not so far from the coast of Queensland, and it is straight sailing between the two places. Just now the police of this city have in custody five Frenchmen under charge of being escapees. If any stir is to be made, now is the time. Whether or not France shall send her criminals to the South Seas is a question about which there would be little anxiety if she could or would confine them to French colonies. But the latter of these things is unlikely, and the former is impossible. That is the pith of colonial and imperial remonstrance. It does not meet the case to say there is no intention to let them escape to the annoyance of peaceful settlements; it is not a question of purposes, but of facts. To pour convicts into so small a country as New Caledonia is to make it overflow very quickly; and lands like the Australias offer great attractions to some members of this bad fraternity.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

By the courtesy of the Hon. G. R. Dibbs, Colonial Treasurer, we are able to publish the following telegram, received yesterday, from the Agent-General, in London, respecting the £3,000,000 loan just floated:—"673 tenders, amounting to £7,593,000. About £5,000,000 applied for by public; balance by brokers. Average price, £100 12s. 6d." With reference to this telegram, we are informed that the loan just floated contrasts very favourably with the loan for a like amount floated in July last. For that loan there were but 237 tenders for an aggregate sum of £3,154,000 at an average of £100 0s. 8d. Against this the present loan brought forth 673 tenders for £7,593,000 at an average of £100 12s. 6d. This shows a decided appreciation of New South Wales stock.

The report that was current in Paris on Wednesday that Sontay, one of the strongholds of the Black Flags in Tonquin, had been occupied by French troops, has not been confirmed. The latter, however, appear to have occupied the Black Flag outposts, after a stubborn engagement, in which they lost 200 men and 15 officers. It was expected, according to latest advices, that a French assault upon Sontay would be made on the 17th instant, that is last Monday. A French occupation of the capital of Anam is said to be probable. Regarding the rebellion in the Soudan, we learn that the insurgents are pressing Sinkat and Takar, and that the capture of those places is imminent. It is said that public feeling at Cairo favours the return of Ismail to the throne. The troops which are being sent to Egypt from Great Britain are going there, not to reinforce the troops already in that country, but in the ordinary course as reliefs. The reports respecting the disgraceful state of the emigrant depot at Plymouth have been inquired into and disproved.

Christmas Day and Boxing Day being public holidays, the following arrangements will be observed in the mail branch of the General Post Office:—The various offices of that branch will be open from 9 till 10 a.m. only, and the morning delivery only will be effected by letter-carriers. The country mails usually despatched in the afternoon and evening, also the coastwise, intercolonial, and foreign mails, will close at 9 a.m. The iron pillar receivers and receivers at suburban post-offices will only be cleared at the first usual hour on these days.

The Hon. Alexander Stuart, accompanied by Dr. Renwick, visited Ormond House, Paddington, yesterday, and examined it with the view of ascertaining its suitableness for use as the head-quarters of the State Children's Relief Department. It occasionally happens that children who have been boarded out at the expense of the State are brought back to Sydney in order that they may be sent to some other homes, and until the arrangements for sending them away again are complete they are provided with accommodation in the Benevolent Asylum. That institution is one whose associations are not the most likely to assist the work of training the waifs and strays looked after by the State, so that they shall have, as far as possible, the advantages of home life, and it is thought that if such a place as Ormond House were obtained, it might be made into a kind of home where the boarding-out officer could reside, and where the children could stay, instead of having to go to the Benevolent Asylum. Ormond House appeared to Mr. Stuart yesterday to be in several respects favourable for the purpose in view, though it is rather out of the way; but he has not yet arrived at a decision in the matter. If the house should be purchased the offices in Phillip-street, where the business connected with the State Children's Relief Department is now carried on, will be closed, and the whole of the business will be transacted on the new premises.

The Hon. Alexander Stuart, Colonial Secretary, will leave town to-day for Katoomba, where he intends to remain until the end of the Christmas week.

Some information in regard to the cost of paving Parramatta-street with wooden blocks has been printed by order of the Legislative Assembly, in reply to a question put by Mr. Tarrant. It appears that the total cost up to the date of the work being received from the contractors was £20,875 15s. 11d., of which £7507 6s. 5d. was the cost of the wooden blocks, and £6981 0s. 10d. was the expense of the foundations. There were 14,790 square yards laid, and £4487 2s. 8d. was paid for the laying alone. Twenty men a day on an average had been employed in repairing the work, at a cost of £1841 4s. 4d., and it was not in such good condition as could be wished, in consequence of the water getting under the concrete from the high ground, and causing it to break up. The work was commenced in January, 1882, and completed by the end of October in the same year. The Corporation paid two-fifths of the expense.

The correspondence, &c., relating to a claim of Mr. Thomas Horton for the balance of money due to him for silver sold to the Sydney Mint during the years 1879 and 1880 has been printed by order of the Legislative Assembly. It appears that Mr. Horton, who claims to have discovered the Boorook silver mines during the period named deposited 35,993oz. of fine silver in the Sydney Mint, for which he received £7051 15s. 1d., being at the rate of 4s. an ounce. He claims that the fair market-rate was nearly 4s. 5d., and that he was short paid to the extent of £1116 15s., for which he applied. The Mint authorities admit that they made £900 out of their transactions with Mr. Horton. The matter has now been referred to the Colonial Treasurer.

A return moved for by Mr. Gould, and printed by order of the Legislative Assembly, shows that seven permits have been issued to mine for coal and other minerals under the waters of Lake Macquarie and its tributaries, as follows:—Thomas Garrett, 800 acres; Henry Copeland, 2130 acres; Robert Barbour, 3760 acres; Henry Copeland, 210 acres; Robert and Alexander Amos, 970 acres; W. A. Kingscote, 25 acres; and W. A. Kingscote, 60 acres.

We understand that in order to carry out the views of Parliament as expressed in the immigration vote last year as to the desirableness of obtaining a certain proportion of suitable emigrants from Germany and other countries on the continent of Europe, the Government has entered into an agreement with Messrs. Teklook and Kirchner, of this city, who have undertaken to convey such emigrants, in numbers not exceeding 200, every second month to Sydney from Hamburg, Bremen, Antwerp, or other convenient port. The management of the service on the other side will be in the hands of Mr. W. Kirchner, formerly of Sydney, and engaged for many years in sending immigrants to Sydney and Brisbane, but now residing at Homburg, near Frankfort. The emigrants may be of various European nationalities, but must satisfy as nearly as possible the requirements of the immigration regulations in other respects. The agreement, subject to renewal of vote by Parliament, will be in force for 12 months from the departure of the first vessel.

A notice was yesterday posted in the Custom House to the effect that, owing to the careless manner in which entries have been passed, the clerks will in future object to any ill-prepared, informal, or abbreviated Custom House entries or documents; and also to any entries not containing statistical and other particulars required.

The hearing of the action Cook versus Larnach, in which the plaintiff seeks to recover damages for wrongful dismissal, was continued yesterday before the Chief Justice and a jury of 12. The evidence was completed, and Mr. Darley finished his address to the jury on behalf of defendant. Mr. Archibald Michie will be heard on the other side this morning, and his Honor will then deliver his summing up. The Chief Justice intimated his intention of concluding the case to-day if possible.

The social meeting of Imperial and Royal personages at Copenhagen has not unnaturally led to various surmises. The Czar of Russia was of course the principal figure in that assemblage, and a diplomatic significance was attributed to his visit to his father-in-law, the King of Denmark. Our St. Petersburg correspondent (whose letter appears in another column) says that the Russian papers ignore the idea that any political significance can be given to the meeting, as it was simply a friendly visit of the Russian Emperor and Empress as a relaxation after the fatigues of their elaborate coronation.

In another column will be found the second letter from our special correspondent at Calcutta, containing, among other interesting subjects, a reference to the Exhibition in that city, and the position of M. Joubert in connection therewith.

The second paper by our special correspondent, lately from New Guinea, appears in another part of to-day's *Herald*, in which some very interesting particulars are given of the natives and their habits, and the character of the country passed through.

The University prize of £10 for junior males who passed the recent junior public examinations has been awarded to Louis Naish Ashworth, of the Brisbane Grammar School. The Fairfax prize for junior females has been awarded to Mary Rebecca Smith, of the Brisbane Girls' Grammar School. Priscilla Russell, of Miss Hooper's school, proxime accessit.

At a meeting of the Presbytery of Goulburn held on the 19th instant, the Rev. William Moore White, LL.D., of St. Andrew's, Sydney, was nominated as Moderator for the General Assembly.

The generous donation of £200 willed by the late Dr. Fullerton to the Industrial Blind Asylum, has been paid over to the institution by the trustees in the estate. The objects of this charity are to furnish to the industrious among the blind efficient instruction in work, convenient rooms for working in, materials with which to work, and a place in which the work may advantageously be displayed and disposed of. The institution is exclusively for adults, for whom it is intended to provide workshops and a saleroom rather than a home. All the men working there bring their daily food with them and return in the evening to their separate homes. Basket-ware and mattresses are the articles manufactured, and the men engaged in making the former earn on an average about 25s. and those making the latter about 20s. a-week. Teachers are employed whose duty it is to teach those admitted to the institution, and during the first year, whilst being taught and unable to earn anything, the pupils are allowed a salary of 15s. a-week. At present the institution has a large order for about 2000 coal baskets and other work in hand, and throughout the year the men are kept well employed.

Yesterday's poor box at the Water Police Court was enriched by a contribution of £5 in honour of the festive season so dear to the hearts of all Christians. The contribution came from a member of Parliament who does not desire that his name shall be disclosed, and it has been made with an excellent discrimination. Perhaps in no other city of equal magnitude is wealth more generally distributed than in Sydney; but still in society here there exists cankerous excrescences of poverty, and not only have the police magistrates to administer justice, but they are taxed by importunate appeals from the ragged, the halt, and the blind, and frequently the most wretchedly feeble for such means as will secure a meal of food or a bit of clothing. Only yesterday a poor woe-begone creature, with a sick child in her arms and eight others at home, evidently respectable, but miserably clad and deserted by the man who should support them, made a claim upon the magistrate's sympathy. A Merry Christmas they will have! Good Christians will do well to remember that in many respects our police stations are citadels of refuge, and that these poor-boxes are established to relieve the necessities of the outcast and the most desolate.

The musical contests for young ladies and youths under 18 years of age formed one of the leading features yesterday at the Parramatta Juvenile Exhibition. The contests were not concluded, and will be continued to-day. To-day, it is expected, there will be a large attendance of visitors.

The usual weekly meeting of the Board of Technical Education was held on Wednesday afternoon, in the board room, Colonial Secretary's Office. In the absence of the president, Professor Smith took the chair. On the motion of Mr. W. G. Murray, it was resolved,—"That the Board having heard of the bereavement of the president, Mr. E. Combes, C.M.G., M.P., desires to express its sympathy with him, and resolves to adjourn without proceeding to business until Friday, 28th December, at 4 p.m." Dr. Belgrave gave notice of motion that, at the next meeting, he would move,—"That it is desirable that provision be made in the Medical Bill now before Parliament for the representation of the Board of Technical Education in the proposed medical council."

Another meeting of Londoners took place on Thursday evening, in the Protestant Hall, for the purpose of considering the rules. There was a large attendance, and close attention was paid to business. It was announced that Sir Charles Dilke had presented the site of the Chelsea Working Men's Club as a free gift to the cause, and a hope was expressed that an equally patriotic citizen might appear in Sydney. Some incidents illustrating the serious consequences accruing to Londoners from their isolation were related. Captain Barrow, B.A., of the Constitutional Club, London, was invited to act as joint secretary, and consented. Many new members joined. The organising committee announced that a rule would in due course be submitted to enable natives of England proper to join as "country cousins."

We have received from Mr. Charles Moore, of the Botanic Gardens, a sample of the fruit of a myrtaceous tree, which has been an inhabitant of the garden for upwards of 85 years. The tree is botanically called Eugenia Michelii, and is popularly known as the Brazilian cherry. It has a pretty appearance, with a striking resemblance to the Lillipilli, and is easily cultivated in a climate such as this. The fruit has very much the appearance of a cherry, and the flavour, which is delicious, resembles that of the grape. This tree is well worth cultivating for its fruit as well as for its beauty.

The fuchsia show which was opened in St. Matthias' schoolroom at Paddington, on Thursday afternoon, in connection with the Eastern Suburbs Horticultural Society, has been very fairly attended throughout. A considerable amount of interest was taken in the proceedings by persons in the district, and the exhibits, which comprised a choice collection of plants and flowers, which afforded a most attractive display, were much admired by visitors. The arrangements in connection with the show were satisfactorily carried out, and everything was done by the society which would tend to promote the success of the undertaking.

A good-sized pamphlet has just been issued by Mr. T. F. De Courcy Browne, author of "The Miners' Handy Book," the title of which is "The Mining Leaseholders' Guide." In it the author explains the complex and somewhat technical regulations relating to gold and mineral leases and kindred holdings in such a clear manner that the investor may thoroughly understand the meaning of those regulations. It is pointed out in the pamphlet that much ignorance still exists on the subject of lease titles; and the idea which every applicant labours under, that he can prepare a title in conformity with the laws, often turns out to be a delusion leading to serious litigation. On this account, therefore, and considering the fact that Mr. T. F. De Courcy Browne has had large and varied experience in regard to the laws relating to mining, he has been induced to publish his present pamphlet.

A small book, consisting of some 28 pages, and intended as a guide for tourists and others visiting New Zealand, has just been issued by the Union Steamship Company of New Zealand. It is a guide to the principal ports visited by the company's steamers, gives some particulars of the places of amusement and localities worth visiting, and should prove serviceable to persons visiting the colony.

A Christmas tea and entertainment were given on Thursday evening to the members of the Sydney Newsboys' Brigade, at the Brigade Hall, Liverpool-street. The lads attended in large numbers, and after doing justice to a first-class tea, they were addressed by the Rev. James Jefferis, Messrs. Alfred Bennett, A. Allen, and others. At intervals during the evening the proceedings were enlivened by selections of music and songs, and subsequently a number of humourous and appropriate views were exhibited with the magic lantern. Each lad was then presented with a neatly bound book as a Christmas present, a number of the volumes being the gift of Messrs. Turner and Henderson, of Hunter-street. Votes of thanks to Mr. Quong Tart, Mr. A. Torning, Mr. W. H. Paling, and other friends, for their assistance, brought the proceedings to a close, after a very enjoyable evening.

The attention of the Colonial Secretary has been drawn by Captain Evre, of the schooner George Noble, now lying in Sydney harbour, to the murder of a Chinaman named Ah Sam, on the 2nd September last, at the Kingsmill Group of islands. Captain Evre accompanied by Messrs. On Chong and Uh Chong, waited upon Mr. Stuart, and represented to him that the Chinaman Ah Sam was in charge of a large quantity of property belonging to On Chong and Uh Chong, at Buttatai, Gilbert Island, and that he was murdered by natives. Steps have been taken to bring the matter under the notice of Commodore Erskine.

The calendar for the Court of Quarter Sessions was exhausted yesterday. Conrad Jockel and Richard Hewitt, who had been convicted of having uttered a forged cheque, were sentenced—Jockel to three years' hard labour, and Hewitt to four years' penal servitude. Judge Wilkinson said he had no doubt as to the guilt of Hewitt, but that inquiries would be made into the conduct of Jockel. Elizabeth Murphy, who had pleaded guilty to having stolen £37, was sentenced to 18 months' hard labour; and Emily May Batten, Henry Kingston, and William Batten, who had been convicted of having feloniously received the money, were sentenced to three years' hard labour. Thomas Bassett was convicted of having broken into the shop of Mr. T. B. Forster and stolen therefrom a large quantity of jewellery, and was sentenced to seven years' penal servitude. Joseph Marron, who had been a prisoner at New Caledonia, and had pleaded guilty to having broken into a shop at Liverpool and stolen a cash-box containing 6s., was sentenced to three years' hard labour. The Court will sit again on Monday, when some appeals against the decisions of the magistrates will be dealt with.

Judging from some remarks made by Mr. Addison, S.M., at the Water Police Court yesterday, a practice has grown up of suitors addressing magistrates on the subject of their cases. Mr. Addison stated that each of the three magistrates who generally presided at the Court had received from a gentleman who affected to be highly intelligent a letter extending over six or seven pages of foolscap, treating on cases in which he was interested. A letter was also read from a female defendant of some notoriety, who expressed a desire that a certain magistrate should adjudicate in her case, as she feared she would not have justice at the hands of another. Mr. Addison was of opinion that the practice was scandalous and most irregular, and it had now gone so far that notice must be taken of it. It would be well if suitors understood that such letters can have little other than an irritating effect. Of course it would be impossible to punish them for writing to a magistrate anything not offensive or threatening, but if they feel sensible that they have suffered an injustice at the hands of any magistrate, they have the common remedy of appealing against a decision, or moving for a prohibition.

The City Coroner held an inquest at the White Hart Hotel yesterday morning, on the body of a man named Benjamin Gascoyne, who was found dead by a constable in Hyde Park on Wednesday afternoon last. The medical testimony showed that death had resulted from serous apoplexy, and the jury returned a verdict to that effect. The deceased, who was a single man, was about 67 years of age, and resided at Walker-street, Redfern.

The five Frenchmen, Alfred Wilfred Durand, Alfred Mignot, Louis Audibert, Robert Jacques, and Joseph Paul Pigot, who are believed to be escapees from New Caledonia, were yesterday brought before his Excellency the Governor, in accordance with the course of proceedings which it is necessary to observe in all cases of extradition, and remanded to Darlinghurst Gaol, where they will remain until they can be taken back to New Caledonia.

Shortly after 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, a Chinaman named Ah Shuck, residing in Goulburn-street, was conveyed to the Hospital in a state of deep coma, and apparently suffering from the effects of opium-poisoning. The stomach pump was immediately applied, and other restoratives were used, but with only temporary success, as the Celestial expired shortly afterwards from failure of the respiration. The death has been reported to the City Coroner.

Yesterday morning it was discovered that a robbery had been committed at the General Post Office. One of the iron safes in the office for the registration of letters was found to have been opened, and two cash-boxes containing money taken away. The amount of money in the boxes when they were stolen is not known, but as it consisted of only a part of the day's receipts at the office it is not likely, we are informed, to have been a very large sum—less than £100 it is believed. Immediately it was found that a robbery had been committed the matter was placed in the hands of the detective attached to the Post Office staff, and he is being assisted by other detectives in the endeavour to discover the thief. It appears that during the present week the key of one of the safes was inadvertently left in the lock by the officer charged with the care of the key, and that it disappeared, and it is believed that the disappearance of this key has something to do with the robbery.

A most fortunate escape from what would probably have been a most disastrous fire was experienced in the city last night. Shortly before 8 o'clock the night watchman connected with this office observed a quantity of smoke issuing from the wine cellars of Messrs. Bouffier Brothers and Ansoul, at the corner of Hunter and O'Connell streets. He at once raised an alarm, when Constable Backhouse, of No. 4 station, who had also noticed the smoke, forced the Hunter-street door of the premises and entered the cellar. It was found that a small gas stove, which had been left burning, had ignited a deal table upon which it was fixed, and the flames, when discovered, were within a few inches of a canvas ceiling which in a few minutes later would have ignited and set fire to the whole block, the top floors of which consist of a number of offices extending some distance in each thoroughfare. The fire was extinguished by the constable, to whom credit is due for the prompt manner in which he acted. It may be stated that a somewhat similar occurrence took place in the same cellar about six months ago, on which occasion a number of towels became ignited, and the flames were discovered only in time to prevent a serious conflagration.

SHORTLY before 1 o'clock on Thursday morning a disastrous fire broke out in a dwelling-house occupied by Mr. James Tedd, and situated on the Pittwater-road, near the Manly Lagoon. The house, which consisted of twelve or fourteen rooms, was constructed of wood and rubble, the consequence being that the flames, which were first noticed in one of the centre rooms, obtained a good hold of the building before any assistance could be procured for the removal of the furniture. All hope of saving the house was abandoned, and as much of the contents as could possibly be removed was rescued by the inmates, assisted by one or two neighbours. The building, which was the property of the tenant, was totally destroyed. It was insured in the Northern Insurance Company's office for £500, and the contents were also covered by a similar amount in the same office. The origin of the fire is unknown, and appears to be surrounded with mystery.

IT is related in the *Riverine Grazier* that quite an unexpected discussion took place in the Hay Borough Council on Thursday on a petition from Mr. Quong Tart, the commissioner lately appointed by the Government to inspect Chinese camps, and which prayed that the importation of opium be stopped, as it morally and physically ruined the Chinese people. Messrs. Bent, Bentwitch, and Pollard were by no means enamoured of the petition. Their remarks, *en parenthese*, brought up Mr. Andrew, who spoke strongly in favour of the prayer of the petition, as opium was a drug that engendered a disease for which there was no remedy—a craving that was morally and physically beyond cure. Mr. Chambers thought there was this much to say in favour of the prohibition of opium, except for medicinal purposes, for which an exception was made in the petition; that, if there were no opium-smoking dens, the Chinese would not congregate together so much as they do now. Mr. Bentwitch saw nothing in the matter: what difference was there between a Chinese having his opium and he his pipe? Mr. Jacka at once was on his feet to protest against the remarks that opium was an enjoyment and that it yielded a great revenue, which should not have been made by councillors. Dr. Harvey, in answer to Mr. Andrew, said that he had had patients suffering from opium. English girls living in the camp had contracted the habit and suffered. The moral and physical effects of the drug taken to excess were baneful. Mr. Bentwitch said it was no worse than the spirits the Europeans consumed. Mr. Andrew brought the discussion to a point by moving that the Mayor sign the petition for the council. The motion was then put, Messrs. Pollard, Bent, and Bentwitch voting against it, but it was carried by 6 to 3. Mr. Bent remarked if the petition proposed the exclusion of the Chinese themselves he would gladly sign it.

THE following is the order of musical service at St. Andrew's Cathedral to-morrow afternoon:—Magnificat, Nunc Dimmittis, Arnold in A. Anthem, tenor, solo, and chorus—"Watchman, what of the night?" "Let all men praise the Lord," Mendelssohn.

THE NEW SOUTH WALES LOAN.

[BY CABLE.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, DEC. 20.

Tenders for the 4 per cent. New South Wales loan of £3,000,000 were opened to-day. The exact amount subscribed was £7,593,000. Tenderers at £100 13s. receive in full. Tenderers at £100 12s. 6d. receive 96 per cent. The number of tenders received was 670. Though the public subscribed £5,000,000, the number of the accepted tenders was only 40.

LATER.

The official average is given as £100 12s. 6d.

THE FRENCH IN TONQUIN.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

PARIS, DEC. 20.

The latest advices from Admiral Courbet do not confirm the report which was current yesterday with regard to the capture of Sontay. The French succeeded in occupying the Black Flag outposts, near Sontay, after a stubborn engagement, in which they lost 15 officers and 200 men. The losses of the enemy are not yet known, but are believed to be heavy. The assault on the fortress of Sontay was expected to be made on the 17th instant.

DEC. 21.

Latest advices state that Goeduc has been formally proclaimed King of Anam. The population of Hue, the capital of the country, is greatly excited, and a French occupation of the town seems probable.

The credit of 20,000,000 francs, for the purposes of the Tonquin expedition, which was passed by the Chamber of Deputies on Tuesday, was voted in the Senate last night.

THE RECENT WRECK OF THE S.S. TRIUMPH.

[BY CABLE.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

WELLINGTON (N.Z.), FRIDAY.

An official inquiry into the matter of the wreck of the steamer Triumph was commenced to-day. Captain Brotherton, who was represented by counsel, said he accepted the entire blame of the disaster, which was brought about by his state of health whilst in charge of the vessel. Through sheer exhaustion from illness, overwork, and worry he had fallen asleep on the bridge, and the vessel had drifted out of her course on to the rocks underneath the lighthouse. The Crown Prosecutor said he should be able to prove that shortly before the steamer struck on the rocks Captain Brotherton had been seen moving to and fro on the bridge, and persons on deck had called to him. He should also prove that there had been a great jollification on board just before the steamer's departure, and that a portion of the crew were in a helpless state of intoxication. The pilot, who had left the vessel after giving the captain his course, deposed that the latter was, in his opinion, sober enough to command the ship when he (the pilot) left her. The inquiry is still proceeding.

POSTAL AND TELEGRAPH STATISTICS OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

ADELAIDE, FRIDAY.

The Post Office and Telegraph statistics for the past year show the total number of messages transmitted as being 654,670, representing the receipt of £42,738. The gross amount received for cable messages forwarded by all the colonies was £21,691, and the number of messages received was 21,864. The value of the intercolonial traffic forwarded was £128,527, and of that received was £122,269. The South Australian proportion of the international business was £27,497.

SIGHT-SEEING at million prices is often placed before the public as an inducement to enter a trap to catch them unwarily. No such trap is set at Fuller's Wonderful Xmas Card Exhibition. The sight is worth seeing, and if you are a card buyer the world's get to there before you.—[Advt.]

LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

[BY ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH.]

OUR SPECIAL TELEGRAM.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

THE REPORTED LOAN FOR SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

LONDON, DEC. 20.

Sir Arthur Blyth, the Agent-General for South Australia, has written to say that the statement in regard to a fresh South Australian loan is unauthorised.

The manager of the National Bank also denies that there is any intention of floating a loan for South Australia at the present time.

STRIKE AT MARSEILLES.

LONDON, DEC. 20.

A strike has taken place at Marseilles among the sailors and firemen belonging to the Messageries Maritimes Company.

THE PROPOSED TORRENS TESTIMONIAL.

LONDON, DEC. 20.

The proposed testimonial to Sir Robert Torrens is being coldly received.

SHIPMENT OF SALMON OVA FOR NEW ZEALAND.

LONDON, DEC. 20.

The Ruapeka, from Florida, conveys an experimental shipment of salmon ova to New Zealand in January.

THE PLYMOUTH EMIGRANT DEPOT.

LONDON, DEC. 20.

Full inquiries have tended to disprove the reports to the effect that the Emigrant Depot at Plymouth is filthy and unfit for the use of modest people.

THE VICTORIAN WAR VESSELS.

LONDON, DEC. 21.

The Victorian torpedo boat Childers, and the gunboats Victoria and Albert, which leave England for Australia on the 14th January, will go by way of Torres Straits. The two second-class torpedo boats that have been built for the Victorian Government by Messrs. J. I. Thornycroft and Sons will leave for Melbourne in March.

ACCIDENT TO THE CZAR OF RUSSIA.

LONDON, DEC. 21.

An accident has occurred to the Czar of Russia while sledging in St. Petersburg, by which the Czar sustained an injury to his shoulder. It is not anticipated, however, that the injury will have any serious result.

THE RISING IN THE SOUDAN.

LONDON, DEC. 21.

The latest intelligence from Egypt, in reference to the native rising in the Soudan, states that a large body of the insurgents, who were reported to be holding the mountain passes in the vicinity of Sinkat, are now pressing upon that place, and are also threatening the town of Takar, in the Soudan. The capture of both places by the rebels is reported to be imminent.

THE KHEDIVE OF EGYPT.

LONDON, DEC. 21.

There is a feeling at Cairo in favour of the return of Ismail Pasha to the supreme rule in Egypt, in place of his son, Tewfik Pasha, the present Khedive, who was recently reported to have expressed a desire to abdicate.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

THE BRITISH QUEEN'S SHIPMENT OF MEAT.

LONDON, DEC. 21.

The first portion of the cargo of frozen mutton by the New Zealand Shipping Company's steamship British Queen, which sailed from Lyttelton on October 27 with about 10,000 carcases, was placed on the Smithfield market this morning. The meat was in good condition, and realised 5½d. per lb.

BRITISH TROOPS FOR EGYPT.

LONDON, DEC. 20.

The statement published in the London press that additional troops were to be despatched to Egypt is officially denied, it being stated that the troops in question only proceeded in ordinary course as reliefs.

THE BRINDISI MAILS.

LONDON, DEC. 20.

The mails per R.M.S. Thames, which left Melbourne November 8, were delivered to-day via Brindisi.

THE S.S. DUKE OF BUCKINGHAM.

SUEZ, DEC. 20.

The B. I. S. N. Company's s.s. Duke of Buckingham left here to-day outwards for Queensland ports.

INTERCOLONIAL NEWS.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

VICTORIA.

MELBOURNE, FRIDAY.

The Government have received a cable message from London giving information respecting the successful floating of the New South Wales Loan.

The Postmaster-General has issued a notification stating that on and after the 1st January, 1884, postage stamps may be used for fee and duty purposes, and duty and fee stamps may be used for postage also.

The Hon. G. D. Langridge, Commissioner of Customs, returned to town to-day from his recent official visit to the western ports. The Hon. Messrs. Deakin and Tucker, and Messrs. Wallace and Durham, Ms.L.A., also returned to-day from their extended tour in the Gippsland, Omeo, Ovens, and Benambra districts.

In a supplement to the *Government Gazette*, published to-day, notice is given that a reward of £500 will be paid by the Government for information that will lead to the conviction of the person or persons who caused the death of the unfortunate girl Blanche F. Waddelove, which gave rise to so much discussion a short time ago. A free pardon is promised to an accomplice giving such information.

Mr. Justice Higinbotham in chambers to-day granted leave on the usual terms for an appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Warren v. The Swiss Lloyd's Insurance Company, arising out of the loss sustained by plaintiff in the shipment of horses, on the Queensland coast.

In an appeal case heard to-day, the Supreme Court affirmed the conviction of the Williamstown Justices in the case against Captain Beaver, of the steamer Liddington, in which he was fined £10 for assaulting a Customs officer.

The legal proceedings which were instituted some time ago relative to the notorious steamer Ferret were again brought under notice before the Vice-Admiralty Court to-day. Some of the seamen had appealed to the Privy Council with reference to an adverse verdict given here in a suit which they had brought, and the Privy Council had allowed their appeal. They now applied for their costs. Judgment has been reserved.

The cattle dealers have asked the Railway Department to allow them the same concession as to annual tickets, such as is granted to the Commercial Travellers Association, the members of which pay £75 instead of £104 for yearly tickets, and they have been informed that if they form an association the request will be considered.

The Victorian Wine Growers' Association held a meeting to-night, at which preliminary arrangements were made for the proposed international wine exhibition. Promises of cordial support were received. Mr. Francki, formerly of the French Consulate, Sydney, read a paper urging the advisability of establishing agencies in England, France, and Germany, for blending and maturing colonial wines.

The Minister for Defence has decided to allow the State schoolboys the use of a number of old carbines in the possession of the Department for practice, in the hope of promoting the formation of a cadet corps. The Minister is also communicating with the authorities at Sydney, who have successfully established such corps in that city.

Madame Else Weichermann, formerly prima donna at the Stadt Theatre, in Hamburg, and Miss Alice Sydney Burvett, the Sydney pianiste, are announced to make their first appearance in Melbourne on New Year's night.

The new Tasmanian steamer Pateena was brilliantly illuminated with the electric light this evening, and was visited by a large number of people. Her arrangements and fittings are very complete.

The Trades' Hall Council at a meeting to-night passed a resolution in favour of holding an intercolonial trades' union congress in Melbourne on the 22nd and two following days of April next.

The Freemasons' Hall Company has been definitely formed with a capital of 20,000 shares of £1 each. They have already bought fine premises in Collins-street, and propose to establish a Freemasons' club.

The colour of the two-penny postage stamp has been changed from brown to mauve.

The weather is fine and cool.

QUEENSLAND.

BRISBANE, FRIDAY.

Several deputations to-day interviewed the Ministers, who are at Toowoomba. One consisted of journeymen ironworkers, who waited on the Hon. W. Miles, Minister for Works, to present certain resolutions adopted at a recent meeting, with reference to the construction of railway rolling stock in the colony. Mr. Miles promised that if he found that the rolling stock could be constructed in the colony not a single indent should be sent out. Another deputation, consisting of Messrs. F. Beattie, S. Fraser, and W. Brookes, members of the Assembly, waited on the Minister for Works this afternoon to call his attention to the disgraceful condition of the Immigration Depot, and to urge the removal of the immigrants to a more suitable place. Mr. Miles replied that he had obtained a report as to the fitness of the old gaol, and he would have preparations made for their reception and accommodation in the workshops there as speedily as possible. The depot would not again be used until it had been thoroughly cleansed and fumigated.

The body of a man, not yet identified, was found floating in the river this morning.

Over 100 gentlemen, representing the commercial interests of the city, went down to the Bay in the Queensland Shipping Company's new steamer Merano, to-day, at the express invitation of the agents. The company spent a very pleasant day on board. The steamer attained a speed of 15½ knots, and with the tide 16½ knots per hour.

The barque Berwicklow, which arrived in the bay yesterday from Glasgow, brings 462 immigrants. She has been quarantined, having 15 cases of scarlatina aboard.

The annual distribution of prizes at the Brisbane Grammar School took place to-day. Sir Arthur Palmer was in the chair. The report showed very satisfactory progress had been made.

The Golden Crown at Gympie has just crushed 297 tons, which realised 334oz. of gold.

The weather to-day was fine and hot.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

ADELAIDE, FRIDAY.

The death is recorded to-day of Mrs. Harriet Miller Davidson, a daughter of Hugh Miller, the celebrated Scotch geologist. She was the widow of the late Rev. John Davidson, Hughes Professor of English Literature, also of Mental and Moral Philosophy in the Adelaide University. Mrs. Davidson was a woman of unusual genius, a brilliant conversationist, who had also attained considerable ability as an authoress, a novelist, and a poetess.

Sir Thomas Elder has announced his intention of presenting the council of the Adelaide University with a donation of £10,000, for the purpose of founding a medical school in connection with the University. The munificent offer has been accepted by the council.

At St. Peter's Cathedral to-day the Bishop of Adelaide ordained the Rev. A. Selis, M.A., and the Rev. W. S. Moore as priests of the English Church.

By the R.M.S. Rome, leaving Adelaide to-morrow, the Hon. David Murray, M.L.C., proceeds to London, and the Hon. Chas. Mann, Q.C., Crown Solicitor, proceeds to Calcutta.

The sale of a parcel of wool from the Aborigines Friends Association Institution, and prepared by aborigines, took place to-day. The manner in which the wool had been scoured, sorted, and got up by the natives at this institution was highly creditable; the price realised was 1s. 7d. for the first and 1s. 5d. for the second lots of combing.

It has been decided to wind-up the Salt Creek Petroleum Oil Prospecting Company, which promised to be a highly successful venture when first started, and of which great expectations were formed.

On Wednesday an inmate of the lunatic asylum at Parkside, named James Warrington, who had been allowed outside for the day, did not return. A search for him has been made unsuccessfully.

A stabbing affray took place at the Seven Stars Hotel, Malala, yesterday. The landlord caught a thief in the act of robbing the till, and called on a man named Saundrey to detain him whilst he went for the police. In the meanwhile the robber seriously stabbed Saundrey. He was subsequently arrested, and to-day was committed for trial on a charge of stabbing and wounding.

At a meeting of the Council of the Rifle Volunteers to-day, a motion was passed appointing a committee to prepare resolutions for a public meeting, to consider the necessary steps to be taken for raising funds for the purpose of sending a rifle team from South Australia to compete with the military force at Wimbledon.

At the annual meeting of the Zoological Society, presided over by his Excellency the Governor, an encouraging report was presented; in the course of the discussion it was suggested that South Australia, New South Wales, and Victoria should combine to stock the River Murray with trout.

The barque Berar arrived from London to-day, with 289 assisted immigrants. She had a capital passage out; all in good health.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

PERTH, FRIDAY.

The Governor returned to Perth from Albany at noon to-day.

A large quantity of wheat and hay was destroyed by the recent heavy rains.

Many business houses are at a standstill owing to sickness among the employees.

Some of the merchants are much concerned owing to the continued depression of the sandalwood market of Singapore and China.

An art union of first-class city property is announced to be held on the 4th of next month, at Morrison's auction rooms.

The editor of the *West Australian* was severely cautioned and admonished yesterday by the Full Court for commenting upon the case of Davis versus Randell, Knight, and Co., while it was *sub judice*. The Chief Justice characterised the remarks in the paper as "gross contempt, dishonest, and untrue."

Two or three adults have died this week from the after effects of measles, the change in the weather being unfavourable to convalescents. There was a difference of 30° between the temperature of Monday and Tuesday, the former being one of the warmest days experienced in the colony.

The Perth Gas Company has issued its prospectus of £12,000 for the purpose of floating a company to accept Mr. Bowers's offer to construct coal gas manufactory.

NORTHERN TERRITORY.

PORT DARWIN, FRIDAY.

The steamer Whampoa arrived yesterday from the Southern ports, having one steerage passenger. She sailed for Hongkong with six Chinese. The Suez, (s.), from Hongkong and Singapore, sailed to-day for the Southern ports, taking six steerage passengers and five Chinese. Extreme annoyance is felt here at the arrival of the steamers Naples and Whampoa, in succession from Sydney, without bringing the Adelaide mails, which were apparently detained for despatch by the contract steamer, but this course is highly detrimental to business. It is considered here that the mails should be despatched bi-weekly to Sydney, in order to catch the steamers leaving there.

TASMANIA.

HOBART, FRIDAY.

The Engineer-in-Chief, having been relieved of his other duties, has been directed to carry on the new railway surveys as quickly as possible.

H.M.S. Nelson arrived in the Derwent this morning. She is anchored about seven miles from the city.

A fresh assessment of the city property was adopted to-day at a meeting of the council. It is one-third greater in amount than last year.

At a meeting of the Immigration Board to-day, it was stated that the newly arrived immigrants were only getting 5s. 6d. a day on the main line of railway, although they had been promised 8s. a day wages when they left England.

The weather changed to-day after several days of hot, dry gales that withered vegetation.

MINISTERIAL BANQUETS in QUEENSLAND.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

BRISBANE, FRIDAY.

The banquet at Mackay last evening, on the occasion of the first sod of the railway being turned by his Excellency, was very successful. About 130 guests were present. Mr. Black, member for the district, occupied the chair in the absence of the Mayor, who was ill. The Governor made a happy speech in reply to the toast of his health. The Premier, the Hon. S. W. Griffith, replying to the toast of the Ministry, received prolonged applause. He said the Ministry had not yet had an opportunity of definitely formulating their policy, so that he could not speak of that. Referring to the late convention, he defended the action of that body in not admitting the press. They had to consider questions of a very delicate nature affecting the relations of Great Britain, not only with the colonies, but also with foreign Powers. The views of members were not previously known to each other, and it was important that they should arrive at unanimous conclusions which might not have had the same weight if views, which were modified after discussion, had previously gone forth to the world as pronounced opinions. They had also to deal in anticipation with a scheme of federation on which public opinion had not been definitely formed, and they did not know the best way to set about it. It would have been unfortunate if the effect of the resolutions ultimately agreed upon had been impaired by reports of speeches made before a definite understanding had been arrived at. He attached very great importance to the results of the conference as affecting the interests of Australasia, and especially as preventing proximity of any foreign Power and from the influx of criminals. He assured the people of a sincere desire on the part of his Government to do their best for all parts of the colony; but they must have a little time to prepare for the work they intended to do. Mr. Griffith proposed success to Mackay and the sugar industry. He was sure the railway would give a great impetus to this district. He did not wish it to be supposed for one moment that the sugar industry would be overlooked. The present Government recognised the importance of this industry, and had every desire to do what was fair and right. Mr. J. E. Davidson, of Alexandra plantation, responded. He asserted that if the labour question were not satisfactorily settled, the planters would have to go to the Northern territory of South Australia, or have separation. The banquet broke up at midnight. The Governor and party left for Brisbane this evening.

The Ministerial banquet, which took place at Toowoomba last night, was very successful. About 250 guests were present, including the Hon. Mr. Dutton, Minister for Lands, the Hon. William Miles, Minister for Works, the Hon. Arthur Rutledge, Attorney-General, the Hon. W. H. Groom, Speaker of the Assembly, and several members of the Legislature. A torchlight procession escorted the Ministers to the Town Hall, where a banquet was held. All three of the Ministers present responded to the toast of "The Ministry." Mr. Miles, who spoke first, said it was not his intention to state what the Government proposed to do; nor did he think it would be sound discretion on his part to do so in the absence of the Premier. Mr. Dutton and Mr. Rutledge were equally reticent as to the intentions of the Ministry.

COUNTRY NEWS.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

NEWCASTLE, FRIDAY.

Yesterday morning the Examiner of Coalfields, accompanied by Mr. Usher, visited the Brookstown workings by authority of the Minister for Mines, to ascertain if an alleged encroachment, as stated by the Mayor of Wallsend, had taken place under Union-street, and the extent thereof; but the proprietors, Messrs. Sneddon, acting under legal advice, refused to allow the survey to take place, notwithstanding the instructions from the Minister for Mines, produced by the Examiner of Coalfields. The latter gentleman then returned to Newcastle.

Yesterday evening Messrs. Frazer, Fleming, jun., and another gentleman had a very narrow escape from being carried out to sea by the undertow while bathing at the rear of the hospital. The current carried them on to the rocks behind the old Gaol Hill, to which they managed to cling. Ropes were lowered and they were brought ashore, but much cut and bruised. After being attended to by Dr. Morgan they were able to return home, but their escape was a very narrow one.

The distribution of prizes at the Newcastle Public school took place yesterday, the chairman of the local school board, Mr. Alexander Brown, presiding.

The ship *Gladstone* having completed her loading, will leave for London on Monday next. She has on board 4525 bales of wool and 327 casks tallow.

CANDELO, FRIDAY.

The first horticultural, poultry, and dairy produce show was held here to-day, and was a great success. The exhibits were numerous, and their quality excellent. It being a public holiday, there was a large attendance of visitors. J. T. Collins took first prize for cheese; and J. Porter obtained the second. The Barcoona factory obtained the first prize for butter; and J. Faraher was awarded the second prize. The utmost satisfaction was expressed at the general success of the show.

GOULBURN, FRIDAY.

To-day, at the Police Court, a publican was fined £7 for not admitting the Inspector of Police directly he was required to do so. A charge of selling liquor during prohibited hours was also preferred against the same defendant, but was dismissed.

Business appears to be brisk with the Christmas trade.

The weather is very hot and dry.

MURRURUNDI, FRIDAY.

The weather is intensely hot, the thermometer registering 104° in the shade at Quirindi this morning. Rain is badly needed.

A woman was accidentally killed this morning. The fatal occurrence took place at 2 o'clock, at Dodd's place, Mooki Springs. The full particulars are not yet to hand. Mr. Maynard, the district coroner, is about to proceed to the scene of the accident.

The present aspect of the Land Bill is fairly satisfactory to those about here.

TAMWORTH, FRIDAY.

To-day the weather was intensely hot.

TAREE, FRIDAY.

An accident happened at Purfleet on Thursday morning. A man named Lalor was shot by his mate accidentally with a revolver. The wounded man goes to Sydney by steamer for medical treatment.

WINDSOR, FRIDAY.

An election to supply an extraordinary vacancy in the Municipal Council in the place of Alderman Davies, disqualified, took place yesterday. Mr. John Lane was returned by a large majority over Mr. Henry Tilley.

WAGGA, FRIDAY.

At a meeting of the Municipal Council, last night, the committee appointed to consider the question of public baths reported that, awaiting further information, they were unable to bring up a final report. The committee appointed to consider the reticulation of the town for water supply submitted plans and route suggested. It was estimated that the number of people who would receive benefit by water supply would be about 3000, and 488 houses would be supplied. The report was adopted. The borough surveyor reported on the difficulty of securing material for road-making, and that works were delayed in consequence of the inability of the contractors to procure material at a remunerative rate. The surveyor recommended that a suitable site be procured by purchase or otherwise. The report was adopted.

Yesterday 1530 acres of land were selected at the land-office.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

THE VICTORIA RACING CLUB.

MELBOURNE, FRIDAY.

The following are the latest scratchings for the V. R. C. New Year's Day meeting:—Bagot Plate: Prince Regent. Normanby Stakes: Henchman, Salvo, Fernando, Tempo.

In the betting on the A. J. C. Summer Cup Sir Modred has collapsed. He is now at 100 to 8 without supporters. Soldier Boy is first favourite at 100 to 8. Old Gold, Norfolk, Coriolanus, are at 100 to 10. Sardonyx is 100 to 8.

GEELONG RACING CLUB.

MELBOURNE, FRIDAY.

The following are the entries for the annual meeting of the Geelong Racing Club, to be held on the 31st January to the 2nd February, 1884.

	HANDICAP.	
Ferryman	Doncaster	Coriolanus
Vernet	Polio	Claptrap
Wheatmeat	Anglesey	Coup d'Etat
Agitation	Trump Voss	Lesbia
Omelette	Belle Brandon	Phantom
Essex	King of the Vale	Aide-de-Camp.
	GEELONG CUP.	
Ferryman	Doncaster	Coriolanus
Vernet	Polio	Claptrap
Wheatmeat	Anglesey	Agitation
Lesbia	Omelette	Belle Brandon
Essex	King of the Vale	Aide-de-Camp.
	HURDLE RACE.	
Annie Laurie	Triplet	Avalanche
Tantaliser	Sensation	Agitation
Borderman	Sparke	Hunting Tower.
Charcoal	Gambler	
	STEEPLECHASE.	
Songster	Moonlight	Hope
Hands Down	Napoleon	Vampire.
Alhambra	Daylight	
Black Jack	Governor	
	TRIAL STAKES.	
Phantom	St. John	Merrilig
Honora	Forlorn	Camerine
Tichborne	Borderman	Priestess
Gymkhana	Esmond	Petrel.
	GRAND STAND STAKES.	
King Lud	Gymkhana	Lyons Lady
Phantom	Trump Voss	Josephine.
The Joker		

THE TURF.

Market movements in connection with the Summer Cup, to be run at Randwick on Boxing day, continue to be somewhat puzzling. In the early part of the week Sir Modred came into such favour that at one time he touched 100 to 14, but yesterday Soldier Boy attracted so much attention that at the last 100 to 14 was the best offer against him, but the support accorded has been by a select few, and not by the general public. Old Gold, who is reported to have done a great gallop at South Creek, has advanced to 100 to 12, and that price is also forthcoming about Coriolanus, who made his *début* at Randwick yesterday morning. It is difficult to get more than 100 to 12 about Sloth, and Sardonyx and Morpeth have eased in the market, so that 100 to 10 can be obtained about either. After having been missed for a week from his studies Sir Modred put in an appearance at Randwick yesterday morning, when he performed a long canter. His price has lengthened, and last night 100 to 10 was forthcoming. Polestar, who has done some excellent work, met with more or less favour at 100 to 8, and the prices of the others ranged from 100 to 6 downwards. The great alterations that have taken place in the prices during the week lead to the belief that some "dummy" influence is at work, and it would be well if the public were to take the hint and wait till the colours are up before investing.

The first meeting of the Liverpool Jockey Club is to take place to-day, when a capital day's racing may be expected. The ordinary train is to leave at 9.10 a.m., and a special will take its departure at 11.25 a.m.

Our Melbourne correspondent telegraphs that it has transpired that the entry of Matador for the Victoria Club Hurdle Race was informal; therefore the name has been struck out.

Our correspondent in Western Australia telegraphs that the forthcoming Perth races promise to be the most exciting yet held in the colony, six imported thoroughbreds contesting. Here, an import from Melbourne, is the favourite for the Queen's Plate.

CANTERBURY PARK RACE CLUB.

The following are the entries made at the A. J. C. office:—

THE OPENING HANDICAP—6 furlongs.

Mr. T. Ivory's ch g Condobolin, 5 years
Mr. E. M'Carty's b g The Slave, 5 years
Mr. T. J. Frost's ch g Exchange, 6 years
Mr. T. Sampson's g c Emilius, 3 years
Mr. W. Archer's b g Boniface, 6 years
Mr. H. Lodge ns br c Mars, 3 years
Mr. J. Mackenzie's b g Chummy, 6 years
Mr. T. Brown's g h Satonara, 4 years
Mr. J. Mondy's ch h Ascot, 4 years
Mr. T. L. Baker's b f Havannah, 2 years
Mr. T. Shore ns b g Uhlan, 5 years
Mr. J. L. Brown's b g Fritz, 5 years
Mr. G. Fagan's b f Little Star, 3 years
br m Bell Bird, 4 years
Mr. J. Payten's br g Howlong, 5 years
Mr. W. Lowe's b g Selector, 4 years
Mr. J. Abraham's b c Bayard, 3 years
Mr. W. Mooney's b h Rioter, 4 years.

THE MIDSUMMER STAKES—1 mile.

Mr. T. Ivory's b f Queen Bess, 2 years
b c, by Andover—Fancy, 2 years
Mr. E. M'Carty's ch f Iddagonda, 3 years
Mr. A. Pocock's b c Regulator, 3 years
Mr. W. Kelso's b m Stella, 6 years
Hon. S. Cox's ch f Lady Tempie, 2 years
Mr. H. Lodge ns br c Mars, 3 years
Mr. S. W. Knight's b c Castlereagh, 2 years
Mr. W. Cosgrove, jun.'s, b or br c Combadello, 2 years
Mr. Geo. Fagan's b f Little Star, 3 years.

CANTERBURY PARK HANDICAP—1½ mile.

Mr. C. Poplin's b or br h Coo abah, 4 years
Mr. Nicholson's g g Tait, aged
Mr. G. Osborne's blk f Roquette, 3 years
Mr. Thos. Small's b h Pole Star, aged
Mr. E. M'Carty's b g The Slave, aged
M. T. Sampson's b m Needle, aged
Mr. W. Kelso's b f Presta, 3 years
b m Prima Donna, aged
Mr. J. Monaghan ns g h Snaveller, aged
ch g Favo, 5 years
Mr. W. Archer's b g Boniface, 6 years
Mr. S. W. Knight's br h Jack of Clubs, 5 years
Mr. J. Mackenzie's b m Friendship, 4 years
Mr. T. Brown's br h Stockdale, 6 years
Mr. J. Mondy's ch h Ascot, 4 years
Mr. T. Shore ns Old Gold, 6 years
Mr. J. Payten's br g Howlong, 5 years
Mr. J. Abraham's ch h Gladiator, 4 years
Mr. W. Mooney's b h Rioter, 4 years.

THE SELLING RACE—1 mile.

Mr. T. Ivory's b g Armidale, nil, 4 years
Mr. E. M'Carty's ch f Iidagonda, nil, 3 years
Mr. W. Kelso's b f Presta, £25, 3 years
Mr. J. Monaghan ns b h Norman, nil, 4 years
Mr. J. Cook's br g Parole, nil, 5 years
Mr. W. Archer's b h Croydon, £50, aged
Mr. W. Gannon's ch h Bandmaster, nil, aged
Mr. J. L. Brown's b g Fritz, nil, 5 years
Mr. Geo. Fagan's blk h Isonomy, nil, 4 years
Mr. W. Lowe's b g Selector, nil, 4 years
Mr. J. Abrahams' b c Bayard, £50, 3 years.

THE VISITORS' PLATE—1½ mile.

Mr. D. Nicholson's g g Tait, aged
Mr. Geo. Osborne's blk f Roquette, 3 years
Mr. T. J. Frost's ch g Exchange, 6 years
Mr. T. Sampson's b m Needle, aged
Mr. W. Kelso's br m Prima Donna, aged
Mr. J. Barry's g m Hypatia, aged
Mr. W. Gannon's ch h Honest John, 5 years
Mr. J. Abrahams' ch h Gladiator, 4 years
Mr. J. Steenson's blk m Jet, aged.

VICTORIAN CRICKET ASSOCIATION.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MELBOURNE, FRIDAY.

At a meeting of the Victorian Cricketers' Association held to-night, a letter was read from Mr. G. Alexander, manager of the fourth Australian Eleven asking the association to select the players for the combined team to meet the Australian Eleven on New Year's Day. He suggested that South Australia should be represented by Messrs. Noel, Jarvis, and W. Giffen, and asked for an early reply. Mr. Budd pointed out that it would be necessary for the association to know the names of the Australian Eleven before they could pick a team to play against. Mr. Clarke said that the association had hardly given its patronage to a body about which nothing was known. There might be men in the team that the association considered had no claim to represent Australia, and on that ground he thought the association should decline to take action in the matter. He would move that before any further action be taken in the matter Mr. Alexander should be asked to supply a list of the names of players forming the Australian Team, together with their engagements in the colonies. Mr. W. H. Cooper said that, the names suggested were those of the three best men in South Australia. As the time was so brief, the Australians had already telegraphed to them, asking them to play in the event of their being chosen. It was mere evasion of the question to say that the names of the Australian team were not known. Of one or two players they were in doubt; but this was scarcely the time to bring up the matter at all. Mr. Barlow moved as an amendment,—"That the selector of the teams for the association be requested to choose the players for the combined team, as requested, and that Mr. Alexander be asked to forward to the association a list of the Australian Eleven players for the information of the selector of teams; also that it be understood that all expenses in connection with the match be borne by the Australian Eleven." Mr. Cooper said that it was through no want of courtesy that a list of players was not sent in. There was some doubt about one man, and that was all. Another amendment was moved —"That the charge of the patronage of the association should be 5 per cent." This was carried. Mr. Barlow's amendment was then carried by ten votes to six.

CRICKET.

Cricketers will be glad to learn that the uncertainty as to S. Jones being able to take part in the Intercolonial Match against Victoria at Melbourne next week has been removed, as that player left for Melbourne to join the New South Wales team by the train last evening. It is not yet definitely known as to whether Massie will be able to go or not.

The Carthona team left last night for Melbourne by the overland route to play a series of matches against the principal junior clubs of Melbourne, viz., the Capulet, Grosvenor, and North Fitzroy clubs.

A series of intercolonial contests will take place on the Association Ground during the holidays between the warehousemen of Melbourne and those of Sydney. The first match, on December 29 and 31, will be between the visitors and an eleven from the soft goods warehouses; the second, on January 2 and 3, against an eleven picked from the employees in the hardware firms; and the third, on January 4 and 5, against a combined team from all the Sydney mercantile houses.

The Association Cricket Ground will to-day be the scene of a match between the Goulburn and Bathurst Clubs, and on Monday next the Goulburn players will oppose the first eleven of the Warwick Club.

At the Melbourne Gun Club competition yesterday, we learn by telegraph that W. L. Murdoch won the trophy he competed for, killing ten birds successively.

Our Adelaide correspondent telegraphs that a billiard match was played yesterday in that city between Albers of Adelaide, and C. Memmot of Melbourne. The match came off in the Academy of Music. Albers won by 61 points.

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

LUCKNOW, FRIDAY.

Mr. H. W. Newman reports: We have taken out and casked a bonanza worth £350. Banked £150 worth of free gold, and filled 13 casks of concentrated ore. Total value (say) £600. Will despatch the lot to-morrow.

MOUNT MACDONALD, FRIDAY.

Matheson and party, on Kernaghan's cancelled lease, have finished crushing 13½ tons of quartz for 78oz. 10dwt. Florance, from Balmoral, crushed 49 tons mullock for 33oz. 4dwt. The stuff was thrown away 12 months ago. No. 1 tribute, Balmoral, crushed 10 tons for 20oz. 8dwt. Mathews and party's tribute crushed 7 tons for 2oz. 11dwt 9gr. (An error crept into last report. It should have been 3000oz. instead of 1000 since January last.)

The mining manager of the Basaltic Gold-mining Company reports that during the week ending December 1[illegible] the tunnel has been driven a further distance of [illegible] feet, making a total distance of 231 feet driven up to date. I have to report an alteration in the face of the tunnel this week, very much against us. The stone has developed into a very hard white granite rock, which can only be worked by blasting. I do not anticipate the hard belt to be of any great extent, and another week or two will put us into better driving country.

The mining manager of the Long Tunnel Gold-mining Company, Limited, reports, under date 17th instant:—"The western tunnel has been driven 34 feet for the past week. The tunnel is still in good driving. The eastern drive to Mount Copeland has been driven 8 feet. The drive is in good payable dirt. When it is drained and made workable, I think, by the look of the country, that we shall have some very good ground up about Mount Copeland. The ground is still draining very freely, and I am going on with the blocking out. We got about 15oz. of gold last week. I hope it will continue until we get down to the new shaft, and get it opened, which will take about two months."

Messrs. Gresley Lukin and Co. have the following wire from Gympie:—"775 tons quartz from No. 1 North Phœnix crushed for 638oz. gold. Dividend, 1s."

In the monthly report of the mining manager Nymagee Copper-mining Company, published in Thursday's issue, in the following sentence—"At present the majority of the teamsters are engaged carting 'wood,' but I think the district will soon be cleared of this commodity"—for "wood" read "wool."

Our Melbourne correspondent telegraphs as follows:—"The following figures show the work done by the Port Phillip Gold-mining Company of Clunes since 1857:—Quartz crushed, 1,259,751 tons; gold (including alluvial), 500,374oz. 4dwt.—value, £2,005,122 2s. 9d. Profits, £481,521 0s. 6d., divided as follows:—Port Phillip Company, £224,508 10s. 8d.; Clunes Company, £118,134 18s. 3d.; royalty to proprietors, £138,877 11s. 7d. Last year, however, the company lost on its operations nearly £1000."

OVERLAND PASSENGER TRAFFIC.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

ALBURY, FRIDAY.

The following passed through to-day:—

For Sydney (by express): Captain Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. L. Barnard, Miss Barnard, Master Barnard, Mrs. Myring, Mrs. J. Ferris and 2 children, Mr. and Mrs. G. Verdi, Rev. J. Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Kidston, Mr. and Mrs. E. Adet, Miss Costa, Master Cecil Mackay, Miss Carter, Miss Hammond, Messrs. C. Hammond, B. S. Thompson, Oscar Barnett, A. Halimbourg, J. Gair, W. Spier, H. Goldspink, G. Pattison, L. R. Northey, W. H. Armstrong, J. M. Black, J. Dod, X. L. Hill, J. E. Levey, G. G. Day, W. Church.

For Melbourne (by express): Mr. and Mr. J. E. Cunningham, Mrs. R. Hood, Mrs. R. Scott, Miss Scott, Miss Elaine Scott, Miss M'Carthy, Mr. J. A. M'Kinnon, M.L.A., Miss Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Madden, Miss Kirk, Miss O'Callaghan, Master H. A. Devlin, Mrs. R. Taylor, Mrs. J. North, Miss Wigmore, Mr. and Mrs. H. Huet, Master R. C. Cape, Messrs. R. A. Cape, T. H. Stoneham, J. A. M'Ghie, J. Carroll, J. W. Connolly, E. A. Wynne, C. C. Vickers, E. Phillips, J. Ross, F. G. Mallett, Louis C. Henderson, W. Cooper, H. G. Low, W. F. Walker, D. O'Connell, F. Allen, S. Boulderson, M. Peters, J. Paul, H. Chapman, A. Muggridge, J. Mullins, J. L. Isaacs, T. Dewetz.

For Sydney (by ordinary train): Mrs. J. M. Duncan and child, Miss Graham, Miss Dredge, Miss Leslie, Miss Billis, Miss Grecian, Miss Fearon, Mrs. Chick, Mrs. Gordon and child, Miss Goldsmith, Mrs. Hogg, Mrs. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. J. Irving, Mrs. G. Morris, Messrs. J. C. Leslie, D. M'Clure, M'Pherson, G. Grecian, S. Rich, W. M'Carlie, J. L. Asprey, S. Rawson, S. H. Fairland, M. Ryan, W. G. T. Lane, M. Wagner, A. H. Moses, J. Byrne, R. Lewers, J. Evans, A. Clayton, J. M'Laughlin, J. Lindsay, A. R. Gregory, jun.

For Melbourne (by ordinary train): Mr. and Mrs. D. Bracken, Misses Riches, Miss Humphreys, Mrs. G. Rudd, Miss Lewers, Mr. and Mrs. W. Keleher, Mrs. V. Tomkins and 2 children, Miss Davies (2), Miss Christian, Miss Holse, Mrs. Coulombier, Mrs. Willson, Messrs. J. Spray, S. Garratt, R. Macdonald, W. R. Cameron, T. Ray, W. H. Read, F. Wiseman, G. Smyth, F. R. Ruffley, H. Colles, P. Wilkinson, R. M'Donald, F. Schabel, H. Tonkin, H. Burgess.

THE JUVENILE INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION.

The attendance of the public at the Juvenile Industrial Exhibition at Parramatta yesterday was very fair, but not as large as was expected. As there are no registers erected at the gates, an accurate statement as regards the number of visitors present cannot be given. The musical contests (instrumental), which were commenced at 10 o'clock a.m., had not concluded at 6 o'clock p.m. Throughout the day Messrs. Montague Younger and Hector M'Lean were in attendance judging the merits of the various pieces performed on the pianoforte by the juvenile players, some of whom acquitted themselves in a highly creditable manner, obtaining frequent applause from the audience. These contests of musical skill are at present the chief feature of the exhibition, and are regarded with great public interest. The young ladies, under 18, who had entered the lists, were the first to display their talent; and had it not been for the unaccountable absence of five of the fair competitors this part of the programme would have been got through. The absentees, however, will be required to attend and execute the pieces they have selected to-day. The pianoforte solos, by youths under 18, took up the greater part of the afternoon, and had not finished at a quarter to 6 o'clock, at which hour the musical judges adjourned the examination until to-day, when the rest of the youthful instrumentalists will be heard, and the result of the competition probably be made known. The ventilation of the building seems to have been greatly improved. In the evening the electric light shone with great brilliancy in the grounds, the effect being very striking. To-day it is expected that there will be a very large attendance of visitors, and among the special attractions is included M. L'Estrange's feat of walking on a high tightrope stretched across the Domain.

HOLIDAY STEAMERS.

During the Christmas and New Year holidays a number of extra journeys will be run by the different coasting and harbour steamers. In addition to the regular trips of the Hunter River Steam Navigation Company's steamers, the following special ones are advertised:—Day trips from Sydney: Lady Bowen, Sunday, 9 a.m., December 23; Lady Bowen, Sunday, 9 a.m., December 30. Night trips from Sydney: Morpeth, Sunday, 12 p.m. (midnight), December 23 and 30. Day trips from Newcastle: Maitland, Saturday, 10 a.m., December 22 and 29; Morpeth, Monday, 10 a.m., December 24 (Christmas Eve) and December 31 (New Year's Eve). The following are the arrangements made by the Newcastle Steamship Company:—City of Brisbane, this morning, at 9; Coonanbara, this night, at 11; City of Brisbane, Sunday, at 11 p.m.; Coonanbara, 9 a.m., City of Brisbane and Kembla, 11 p.m., December 24; Coonanbara, 11 p.m., December 25; City of Brisbane, 9 a.m., December 26; Coonanbara, 11 p.m., December 26; City of Brisbane, 11 p.m., December 27; Coonanbara, 11 p.m., December 28; City of Brisbane, 9 a.m., December 29; Coonanbara, 11 p.m., December 29; City of Brisbane, 11 p.m., December 30; Coonanbara, 11 p.m., December 31; City of Brisbane, 11 p.m., January 1. The P. R. S. N. Co. will run special excursion steamers up the Hawkesbury on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday next. The George's River steamer Young Nat will leave Woniora daily from Saturday, 22nd December to Saturday, 29th December (both days inclusive), at 7.30 a.m., 1 p.m., 5 p.m. It will leave Botany 11.30 a.m., 3.30 p.m., and 6.20 p.m. On Boxing Day it will leave Botany at 10.30 a.m., 12.30 p.m., 3.30 p.m., and 6.20 p.m.

AMUSEMENTS.

SYDNEY LIEDERTAFEL.

As usual, there was a crowd at the Sydney Liedertafel's twelfth concert—the sixth smoke night—given last evening at the Masonic Hall, and the audience were so delighted with the entertainment provided for them, that at its close they gave three ringing cheers for the conductor. All the part-songs had been sung before by the Liedertafel, but they never were given with more finish, and never were more thoroughly enjoyed by the audience. "Italian Salad," "The Linden Tree," and Schubert's "Serenade," with piano and string accompaniment arranged by Herr Vogrich, were among those in the first part, and the serenade was applauded so loudly and long that the conductor was induced to give a repetition of it. We venture to think that, when a long and varied programme has been arranged for performance, repetitions should not be allowed. The singers are taxed heavily enough as it is, without being subjected to what may be termed the the penalty of having to sing over again any particular composition which may happen to especially please an exacting section of the audience. In the second part of the programme the vocal quartet, "Lovely Night" (Chwatal), the "O Santissima," and the "Song of the Miner" (Küchen), were beautifully sung. Herr Vogrich played Liszt's "Hungarian Fantaisie" magnificently, for combined with his perfect technique there were an intimate acquaintance with and a passionate patriotic love of the melodies woven into the fantasia. The player put his whole soul into his fingers, and the audience maintained until the close an absolute stillness, which was of itself the highest tribute that could be paid to his talent. Subsequently Herr Vogrich played his own clever arrangement of Wagner's "Bridal Song," and this as well as his first performance was warmly applauded. Herr Francik played a violin solo, Artot's "Souvenirs de Bellini," but he had scarcely commenced when the first string of his violin snapped, and he had to borrow another instrument. In spite of this disadvantage he played brilliantly, and deserved the hearty applause which followed his effort. Herr Patek played a 'cello solo, Röver's "Andante and Allegro, brillante" (opus 16) with great expression. Mr. Knight Aston, whose voice is still unsettled, sang "Reading thine eyes," a pretty little ballad by Mr. Alfred Plumpton, and Lacome's "Spanish Students' Song," a bright spirited ditty, which should become popular with vocalists possessing high baritone or tenore robusto voices. The only other solo vocalist was Mr. Christen, a member of the society, who possesses a powerful bass voice. The song he selected, Gumbert's "Home," was rather trying to him in the higher notes, but it also served to show the strength and beauty of his lower register. All the arrangements for the concert were very complete, and that they were so is largely due to the exertions of the society's hon. secretary, Mr. W. H. Giddy, who has spared neither time nor trouble, ever since the formation of the Liedertafel, to promote its interests.

OPERA HOUSE.

The "Crushed Tragedian" attracted a very fair house last night, and Mr. Reeve's efforts as De Lacy Fitzaltamount were received with as much appreciation as ever. To-night Mr. Darrell's cleverly constructed drama "Sunny South," which has had a very successful run in the metropolis of Victoria, will be produced. No expense has been spared in mounting the play; and as the scenery has been entrusted to Messrs. Wilson, Clint, and Wilson, the public have an assurance that this important portion of the work has been ably carried out. Everything is new; and no doubt Mr. Darrell, who appears for the first time after a lengthened absence from the colony, will be awarded a warm reception from a crowded house. He will be supported by Messrs. B. N. Jones, James Rainford, James South, George Forbes, J. Raynor, J. P. West, Frank Gerald, George Coleman, J. Paterson, H. Simmons, Ryan, Osborne, Normen, James, Wisdom, Maggie Knight, Edith Pender, Maggie Oliver, A. Ward, E. Edwards, and others. The following is an outline of the plot of Mr. Darrell's drama:—*The action of the play commences in England, at the ancestral home of the Chesters.* There dwell Worthy Chester, his daughter Clarice, and his nephew Ivo Carne. Chester is addicted to speculation, and, being unfortunate in his transactions, has been compelled to mortgage his estate to one Eli Grup, a broker and money-lender. Grup threatens to foreclose, sell the property, and proclaim Chester's ruin to the world, unless he consents to Grup's union with Clarice. Chester, however, declines to sell his daughter, and orders Grup from the house, bidding him do his worst. Grup threatens immediate action, when suddenly one Matt Morley, a returned Australian, appears on the scene, and demands to know the cause of the quarrel. Grup explains, declaring that on the morrow he will be the owner of the estate, and is confronted by Morley, who announces himself as the rightful heir, long supposed to be dead and buried in the wilds of Australia. Morley states his real name to be Morley Chester, claiming to be the son of the former owner of the estate. He had been in the Australias for 20 years and during the period of his absence and reported death, Worthy Chester had inherited as next of kin. Grup denies Morley's identity and takes formal possession of the property. At this juncture an adopted daughter of Morley—one Bubs Berkely—arrives, seeking him with a cablegram from Australia, from Morley's mate, proclaiming the discovery of a rich vein in their claim. Morley determines on returning to the colonies to realise his share that he may be enabled to return enriched to England to fight for his lawful rights and punish Grup's villainy. In the third act the *dramatis personæ* are in Australia. During a celebration of the Queen's Birthday on the diggings, Morley's mate finds a nugget worth some £7000, and this is displayed openly before it is conveyed to the bank. An old mate of Morley's, Dick Duggan, now a bushranger, gains intelligence of the nugget and its destination, and in broad daylight he and his gang stick up the bank. Through the bravery of the bank clerk, the robbery is frustrated, and Morley and his mate arrive in time to tackle the rangers, who are overpowered and secured. Morley, having realised a large sum, is about to sail for England, to prosecute his claim. Duggan meanwhile breaks gaol, and is sought out by one Pounce, who has been sent to Australia by Grup to prevent Morley's departure for England at all risks. Pounce bribes Duggan, and the latter consents to waylay Morley. He visits Morley's hut at night, and discovering Bubs Berkely alone abducts and carries her off to the lair of the gang in the ranges. Morley, with a posse of troopers, attacks the gang, and after a desperate struggle the girl is rescued and the gang partly secured—Duggan, however, making good his escape. In the last act Ivo Carne and his cousin Clarice, who have shared the *fortunes* of Morley in the colonies, are married, as also are Morley and Bubs, and the party, with old Chester and Morley's mate, are on their way in a special train from the Bathurst district to Sydney. Grup has arrived in Australia, and hearing of Morley's good fortune and intended departure for England, plays, with the aid of Duggan, his last card. Duggan hears of the intended journey down the Zigzag of the special with the bridal party, and with his mate takes up the rails in the valley with the intention of wrecking the train, filching the gold, obtaining revenge on Morley, and securing Bubs Berkely, to whom he Duggan had formerly proffered love in vain. A telegram has been sent from the valley to Mount Victoria, giving warning of the intended raid, but Morley determines to go down the mountain and show fight. The train proceeds, the gang attacks it, and are ultimately overpowered by Morley's people and a number of troopers who arrive by a relief train from the valley. Duggan and his mates are secured, Grup is taken also, and betrayed by his confederate Pounce, who, turning informer, declares Grup to have robbed old Chester in England, and to have been the employer and paymaster of the bushrangers in the colonies. Morley's identity as Morley Chester is established, and justice is dealt all round. The underplot conveying the love and comedy episodes is in harmony with the main motive of the story, and the principal incidents are stated by the author to be founded on facts.

THEATRE ROYAL.

The second last representation of the "Pirates of Penzance" took place last evening at the Theatre Royal. The attendance was again good, and the leading features of the opera were as usual well received. On Monday there will be no performance at the above place of amusement, as a full dress rehearsal of the pantomime, "Jack in the Beanstalk," is to take place.

GAIETY THEATRE.

To-night the Montague-Turner Opera season will be commenced at the Gaiety Theatre, when Balfe's popular opera, "The Bohemian Girl," will be produced. The company is a strong one, and includes the names of Miss Annis Montague, Mr. Charles Turner, Miss E. Sherwin, Signor G. Verdi, Mr. J. Gordon, Mr. W. Johnson, Mr. T. Grundy, Miss Carrie Hubert, and Miss Mabel Penrose. The orchestra will be under the direction of M. Leon Charon, and the pretty little theatre has been completely and tastefully renovated under the immediate supervision of Messrs. Torning and Russell. A full dress rehearsal of the opera took place last night.

ST. LEON'S CIRCUS.

Last night this place of entertainment was very extensively patronised. A programme was submitted, and, judging from the applause which prevailed, it afforded general satisfaction. The company comprise a number of clever artists, many of whom are old favourites, and the horses are well-trained and in excellent condition. Altogether, their performances are of an attractive order, and amply justify the large attendances the proprietary are favoured with. The concluding feature last night was "Turpin's Ride to York." In this Mr. Gus St. Leon appeared as the hero, and introduced a splendidly trained mare as Black Bess. The funny part of the play was undertaken by Mr. R. Taylor and Mr. W. E. Jones, and the jokes, though old as the hills, seemed to have lost none of their freshness and none of their mirth creating influence. This afternoon there will be a special performance for the benefit of juveniles.

An entertainment was given last night, in the Protestant Hall, under the auspices of the Royal Antediluvian Order of Buffaloes, in aid of the bereaved families of two deceased brethren. The hall was fairly well filled, Bro. H. Levien, M.L.A., occupying the chair. The entertainment was of a variety nature, and included trios, songs (sentimental and comic), recitations, cornet and zither solos, step-dancing, and negro delineations. The performers met with a very hearty reception, and were in the majority of cases encored.

We are informed that arrangements have been made for Miss Alice Sydney Burvett to make her first public appearance in Melbourne on New Year's night, at the Town Hall.

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Narrabri	b	108 —	0
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Bendem'r	b	95 56	0
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Taree	b	107 68	0
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Sydney	b	94 58	0
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Hay	b	80 44	0

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Wagga	b	94 45	0
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WEATHER MAP.

From Telegrams for 9 A.M. & 3 P.M. DEC. 21 1883.

Sydney Observatory.

Lat. 33° 51' 41" S.; Long 10h. 4m. 50·61s. E.

Average Annual Rainfall for 24 years	50·640.
Average for 25 years from Jan. 1st to November 30	51·342.
Total Rainfall from Jan. 1st to December 21	45·339.

Barometers corrected to 32° Fah. and Mean Sea Level.

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Moruya	b	74 [illegible]	0
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Albury	b	81 50	0
Bodalla	b	— 54	0
Cooma	b	78 40	0
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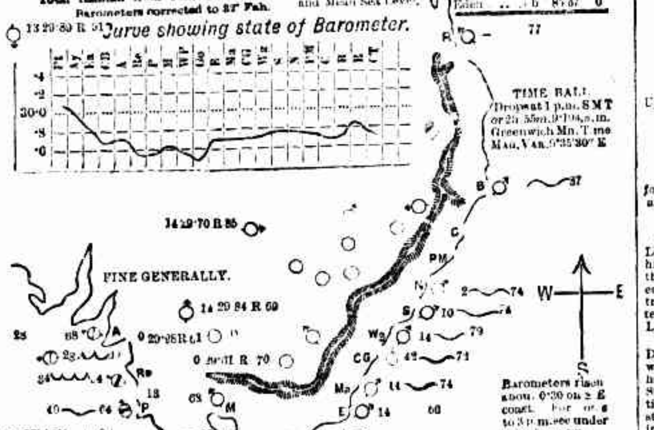
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H. C. RUSSELL
GOVERNMENT ASTRONOMER

PARLIAMENTARY NOTICES.

NEW NOTICES OF MOTION.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5.

Mr. A. G. Taylor to move,—That this House concurs in the following proposals in amendment of our prison policy:—1. That sentences of hard labour for two years and upwards should carry with them a proportionate period for model treatment in Berrima Gaol, that is, one month in Berrima Gaol to every year of penal servitude. 2. That the period of servitude in Berrima Gaol should be divided into two equal terms, the first to be served in commencement of the sentence of the Court, and the second in its completion. 3. To avert miscarriages of justice every convicted prisoner should be entitled to a new trial, or further inquiry on his convincing the Minister of Justice of the propriety of either such step. 4. That, with this view, there should be no impediment whatever on the part of the officials to any convicted prisoner communicating by letter with the Minister of Justice or Comptroller-General. 5. That protracted imprisonment is fallacious as an agency of reform, and delusive as a deterrent, inasmuch as it is an unnatural abrogation of a fellow-creature's freedom, and not only hardens the victim's heart, but oftentimes converts him into a brutalized maniac. 6. That imprisonment should be brief and speedy, without indulgences or other temptations to prisoners to prolong their stay. 7. That the lash should only be awarded to refractory convicts after ample trial in open court before the nearest Bench of magistrates. 8. That a reduction of one-fourth of the sentence for good behaviour should be made on all sentences exceeding four months. 9. That in cases of felony, or grave misdemeanour, but one prisoner should be confined in each cell.

BOROUGH COUNCILS.

CANTERBURY.—Meeting held on the 12th instant. Present: the Mayor, Aldermen Slocombe, Taylor, Roberts, Nightingale, and Williams. Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed. Correspondence: From Mr. Pigott, intimating he would use his influence in getting a sum voted to get Cook's River snagged and cleared. From Mr. Surveyor Chamier with reference to dedication of streets. Reply to be sent to the Department of Mines relative to the above in answer to theirs of 5th November last. From the Australian Gaslight Company, re supplying gas for this borough; from Department of Public Instruction, intimating that the list of books for free library forwarded to that department for approval had been approved of; from Mr. Cleary, requesting to be informed if any rates were due on a piece of land late the property of George Bradburn. Mr. Cleary to be informed that the sum of 19s. 6d was due on land rated in the name of Margaret Bradburn. Questions:—Alderman Slocombe: Will the Mayor ascertain if it is possible to have cases of appeal heard in the borough? Yes, will write to the Minister of Justice. Alderman Taylor: Why is day labour being done in Chapel-street in place of contract? At the request of the Mayor, the clerk of works explained. Alderman Williams: Any steps been taken to draw the water from the corner of Duntroon-street? Yes, waiting reply from the Marrickville Council. Has the Mayor taken any steps to procure a person to act as returning-officer? Not as yet. The Mayor gave his answer in the affirmative to question put at last meeting by Alderman Roberts. Reports: From clerk of works on progress of the works during the past fortnight, and intimating that an obstruction had been made across Garnet-street by the lessee of Mr. Starky's quarry. A letter from the lessee of the above quarry was read, making application for leave to allow the same, as it was impossible for him to get out of the quarry with a load. Moved by Alderman Taylor, seconded by Alderman Roberts,—"That the report be adopted; and, considering that there being no traffic on that portion of Garnet-street, permission be granted to the lessee for the present." Carried. From the clerk of works, of the cost of draining the ornamental trees in Croydon and Brighton avenues. From the clerk of works on Moorefield's-road. Referred to the committee for works. From inspector of nuisances. The clerk of works informed the council that his attention had been called to Shepherd corner. Plans and specifications were laid on the table for forming continuation of Jefferies-street and erecting stone culvert; also for improvements on Moorefield's-road, near Walters' property. Moved and carried,—"That the plans and specifications for Jefferies-street be adopted and tenders called for the works; and plans and specifications for works in Moorefield's-road be received." Motions: Moved by Alderman Slocombe,—"That this council expend the sum of £25 in the purchase of books for the free library." Carried. Moved by Alderman Taylor,—"That tenders be called for laying pipes, &c., in Moorefield's-road, in accordance with clerk of works' report received at last meeting." Carried. Moved by Alderman Slocombe,—"That tenders be invited for two persons competent to assess all ratable property in the borough of Canterbury for the municipal year of 1884 and 1885." Carried. Alderman Taylor, with consent of the council, withdrew his motion calling for tenders for works in Moorefield's-road, in accordance with report from the clerk of works, as the report has been referred to committee for works. Moved by Alderman Roberts,—"That this council take into consideration the advisability of voting a sum of £50 for improvements in Dunstaffore-street, and that the clerk of works report thereon; and as to the cost of same." Carried.—A. M. INNES, Council Clerk.

WAVERLEY.—Monthly meeting, Tuesday, December 4, at 7.30 p.m. Present—The Mayor, with aldermen L. Baglin, T. J. Dickson, J. Fullford, J. Macpherson, J. H. Newman, J. Wiley, and W. Wiley. Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed. Correspondence: Copies of letters despatched since last meeting of council were read and approved. The following communications were read:—From the Under-Secretary Department of Lands, stating that the application made by the council for a sum of money to improve the Waverley Park had been noted for consideration in common with those of a similar nature. Received. From the Registrar-General, transmitting copy of *Gazette* notice and diagram of certain land for which Thomas Read sought to obtain issue of indefeasible title. From the Australian Gaslight Company, stating that from the 1st January, 1884, the charge to suburban municipalities having 100 or more lamps in use would be £6 per ordinary lamp, and if less than that number, £6 5s. per lamp. From the Australian Gaslight Company, stating that instructions had been given for erection of two additional public lights in the localities indicated by the council. From Messrs. Willmott and Morgan, contractors for Bondi tramway, offering to cart the earth removed from road at 6d per load. Referred to the Mayor. From Byron Squires, respecting approach to his house at Bondi, and requesting the council to repair same. The matter was left in the hands of the Mayor. From Goodwin Morwood, respecting condition of O'Brien-street. Received. From Joseph Brignell, re appointment of representatives on board of fire brigades. Received. From B. Morgan, respecting claim for damage to drain pipes. Received. From James Duggan, respecting condition of Government road near Barclay-street. Received. Application for kerbing and guttering from Charles Eveson was granted on usual terms. Petitions from certain ratepayers Nelson Ward, praying that that portion of Ebley-street adjacent to Denison-street should be made, as a number of new houses were being erected; and from numerous ratepayers of the borough, praying that immediate action might be taken in the erection of baths at Bondi and Bronte Bays, were read and received. Reports from the acting engineer, Mr. T. C. Clark, re proposed site for baths at Bondi and Bronte Bays, from manager Waverley cemetery, and inspector of nuisances, were read and received. Finance committee's reports, recommending payment of £601 13s. 6d. on general account, £117 0s. 10d. on special account, £81 19s. 10d. on park account, were read and received. Resolved, on the motion of the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Newman,—"That the finance committee's report on the general account be adopted." Resolved, on the motion of the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Macpherson,—"That the finance committee's report on the special account be adopted." Resolved on the motion of the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Baglin,—"That the finance committee's report on the park account be adopted." Miscellaneous: Resolved on the motion of Alderman W. Wiley, seconded by Alderman Newman,—"That the officer now in charge of the alignment of certain streets within the borough be allowed the use of the borough map for reference." Alderman Fullford asked to be informed regarding the works now in progress in Prospect-street. The Mayor explained that the work was being carried out in accordance with resolution of the council, that £150 would be spent upon the work, provided £50 was first subscribed by owners of property therein. Alderman Baglin asked whether Bourke, Victoria, and Market streets in the water reserve were to be aligned. The Mayor said that no application had yet been made to the Government regarding said streets. Alderman W. Wiley directed attention to the necessity of cleansing drain in Cowper-street, between Abley and Birrell streets. The Mayor stated that he would have the matter attended to. Alderman Dickson directed attention to the spreading of Scotch thistles on vacant land near the park. The Mayor promised to have the weeds removed. Motions pursuant to notice.—Moved by Alderman J. Wiley, seconded by Alderman Macpherson,—"That the sum of £20 be voted to improve the reserve opposite the property of Mr. Gowing, in Waverley Crescent." The motion was by consent withdrawn. Resolved on the motion of Alderman J. Wiley, seconded by Alderman Baglin,—"That a public light be erected in Birrell-street, near Botany-street." Resolved on the motion of Alderman Macpherson, seconded by Alderman Dikson,—"That a public light be erected in Henrietta-street, between Birrell and Victoria streets." Resolved on the motion of Alderman Baglin, seconded by Alderman Fullford,—"That the sum of £15 be voted for repair of Blenheim-street." Resolved on the motion of Alderman W. Wiley, seconded by Alderman Dickson,—"That a 12-inch pipe drain be laid down the lane adjoining the property of Mr. John Williams, of Bondi, at a cost not exceeding £50." Moved by Alderman W. Wiley, seconded by Alderman Macpherson,—"That tenders be invited from persons competent to assist the council clerk in valuation of ratable property for ensuing municipal year." Postponed to January meeting. Resolved on the motion of Alderman Fullford, seconded by Alderman Macpherson,—"That the report and levels of Chesterfield-parade, St. Thomas-street, Nelson-road, Boundary-street, and Arden-street, as submitted by Mr. Surveyor Clark, at November meeting of this council, also, those of Busby-parade and Clifton-road, be received and adopted." Moved by Alderman Fullford, seconded by Alderman Macpherson,—"That the sum of £100 be voted to form and ballast Lugar-street." The Mayor ruled that the motion was out of order, as Lugar-street was in a private subdivision, and the regulation regarding contribution by property owners towards cost of proposed work had not been complied with. The council [illegible].—MURRAY T. ORR, Council Clerk.

Late Advertisements.

WANTED, a COUNCIL CLERK and FOREMAN of WORKS for the borough of East St. Leonards; salary, £200 per annum. Applications by letter, to be marked applications, addressed to the Mayor, will be received up to FRIDAY, 28th instant. Particulars as to duties to be ascertained at the Council Chambers daily, from 9 to 11 a.m.
GEO. M. PITT, Mayor.

NICELY furnished HOUSE to LET, Oxford-street, near Elizabeth-st., 8 rooms. J. G. H. Swain, Bond-street.

WANTED, Chief COOK and Second STEWARD, early this morning. S.S. Wendouree.

FOR SALE, a first-class COW, in full milk. Apply Tara, Ocean-street, Woollahra.

DARLINGTON Public School.—Closing day Grand Fancy Sale and Promenade Concert. Open at 2.30 p.m.

CLEVELAND C.C. with SURRY UNITED.—Ground disengaged Christmas Day. E. Howitt, 66, King-street.

WANTED, to Purchase stern-wheel PUNT, light draught. Price and particulars X., Herald Office.

WILL gentleman friend of Mr. Longbottom, who called on Mr. Clough, kindly send address Chas. Clough.

Businesses for Sale.

FOR SALE, the Goodwill, Furniture, Lease, and License of the HUNTER RIVER HOTEL, East Maitland. For particulars apply to the undersigned. JOHN HOGAN, Proprietor.

HOTEL, first-class house, in one of the principal towns, good and improving trade; assistance if required. Apply De Lissa and Phillips, wine and spirit merchants, 3, Barrack-street.

FOR PRIVATE SALE, in the town of Young, an old-established BOOT and SHOE BUSINESS, having a large connection, with a very complete plant, and good salable stock. Apply to F. AUNGIER BROCK, Pastoral Exchange, Young.

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"Government House, Sydney, April 26, 1883. Lord Augustus Loftus is desirous of expressing to Dr. Stanich his best thanks for his attentive and valuable services, from which he has derived the greatest benefit. He has quite recovered the hearing of one ear, and the other has been greatly improved by Dr. Stanich's treatment. Lord Augustus Loftus is happy to be able thus to testify to the valuable services rendered to him by Dr. Stanich.—LORD AUGUSTUS LOFTUS. To Dr. Stanich, Wynyard-square."

It will be a source of pleasure to many of our readers (says the Daily Telegraph of July 17, 1883) to learn that Sir Alfred Stephen, who has long suffered from partial deafness and pains in the ear, has completely recovered under the skilful treatment of Dr. Stanich, of Wynyard-square, as will be seen by the following certificate which has been sent to us for publication:—"College-street, 2nd July, 1883. Some months ago I had slight deafness in one ear, accompanied occasionally by pain. Professor Stanich removed a film or parasitic growth from the tympanum of the ear, and my hearing is perfect, without discomfort of any kind. Dr. Stanich has attended a member of my family for deafness of long standing in one ear, with great benefit in that case also.—ALFRED STEPHEN."

Robert Graham, Esq., the ex-Premier of New Zealand, in his letter says:—"To Professor Stanich. Sir,—Having witnessed, while staying at the Occidental, several cases of deafness so far cured that I think it a duty I owe to you to inform the public that you possess the power of relieving to a remarkable extent many of those who are unfortunately suffering from deafness. In my own case, when I have been suffering for about five years with a feeling of deafness in one ear, and great itchiness, I am happy to say my hearing is restored, and the itchiness quite gone after one week's treatment. I am, sir, your obedient servant, ROBERT GRAHAM, J.P., proprietor Waiwera (Hot Springs), Auckland."

Town Clerk Office, Fitzroy, "Sir,—I have the honor to forward as under a copy of resolution arrived at at a meeting of this council held last evening. Resolved:—'That the warmest thanks of the council be and are hereby accorded to Dr. Stanich, aurist, for the gratuitous and successful treatment of several cases of deafness recommended to his notice by this council, the patients being in unfortunate circumstances, and unable to pay for medical aid.' JOHN B. JONES, Town Clerk. To Dr. Stanich, Aurist."

"To Dr. Stanich.—Sir,—In reply to your letter of inquiry, which I received this morning, I beg to state that the hearing of my ear, upon which you operated, still continues as clear and good as when I left you. In truth it is better than the other ear which I previously thought quite perfect in hearing.—I am, sir, yours gratefully, CATHERINE FINLAY, School Teacher, Ascot."

Rev. Dr. Stuart, Bishop, in Dunedin, New Zealand, the brother of the present Premier of New South Wales, in his letter says:—"Professor Stanich. Dear sir,—Mr. P. Shepherd, to whom I gave a note of introduction, has asked me to state that his hearing has much improved through your treatment. On questioning him, he assures me that he hears more distinctly.—Yours, &c., D. M. STUART, of Knox Church, Dunedin."

"To Professor Stanich, Aurist.—Sir,—I have the honour to forward as under, a copy of a resolution arrived at by this council on the 19th July, 1880:—Resolved,—'That the warmest thanks of this council be, and are hereby accorded to Professor Stanich, aurist, for the gratuitous and successful treatment of Patrick Rattigan, who has been deaf for 40 years, and recommended to the Professor's notice, by this council, Rattigan being unable to pay for medical aid.' I have further very much pleasure in stating that the three patients from the Benevolent Asylum recommended to you by this council—viz., Downie, aged 72; Walsh, aged 73; and Bayless, aged 76 years—have been most successfully treated for deafness. The council desire me to inform you that it is exceedingly gratified with your success in these three cases, and especially to express its warmest thanks for your kindness and courtesy in extending your gratuitous treatment to the patients of the Benevolent Asylum. I have the honour to be, sir, your most obedient servant, WM. ROYBOLD, Mayor (L.S.), CHAS. E. RANDALL, Town Clerk."

From Dr. Macaffer.—"To Professor Stanich. Dear Sir,—Having requested Mr. Kelly to visit you and have your advice regarding a deafness with which he has been afflicted for four years, I have much pleasure in testifying to the success of your treatment.—I am, yours truly, JAMES MACAFFER, M.B., C.M., Gore, Mataura."

"Dear Dr. Stanich.—In the interests of those suffering from disease of the ear, I have pleasure in stating that you have successfully treated me for tumour in the ear and partial deafness. During the last 10 years I have consulted and have been treated by four leading physicians for the above without receiving any benefit. Yours faithfully, T. J. WEAVER, corner of Hunter and George streets, Sydney."

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To Dr. Stanich, 50, Wynyard-square.—From Mr. James Manning, Incumbent of St. Silas Church, Waterloo. "August 29, 1883.—Dear Dr. Stanich,—Some time ago I recommended the case of Alice Hornsley, 9 years old, to you for gratuitous treatment. She was quite deaf, and suffered from continued running at the ears. You kindly sent me a reply promising to do what you could for the child. It gives me very great pleasure, indeed, to have now to thank you for your great kindness and attention, and, above all, gratefully to acknowledge the fact that the child is completely cured. I came across those people again in the course of my visiting the other day, and I write this letter at the earnest request of the girl's mother, who says 'she can never be sufficiently grateful' to you. You can make what use you please of this letter. I am, dear Dr. Stanich, yours faithfully, JAMES N. MANNING, incumbent of St. Silas' Church, Waterloo."

"Another cure of Deafness by Dr. Stanich.—Doctor Stanich, Sir,—I sincerely thank you for curing me of deafness of long standing. You accomplished in one operation what the doctors of Sydney Hospital failed to do in 12 months. I hope Heaven may bless you, as you did it for charity, I being a crippled old man. Sir, please publish this for the public information.—CHARLES BURNS, 344, Kent-street."

"Dr. Stanich.—Dear Sir,—I take up my pen with pleasure to thank you for the services you have rendered me. I can hear quite well, and I shall never forget your kindness. I have recommended you to some friends in Yass and Murrumburrah, who are astonished to hear that I am cured of my deafness.—Believe me to remain, dear sir, yours sincerely, Miss F. SHEEHAN, care of Macansh, Esq., Murrumburrah."

"Dr. Stanich, 50, Wynyard-square, Sydney.—Dear Sir,—I beg to tender you my sincere thanks for your successful treatment of my three children. The eldest, who is a boy of 14 years, had been suffering from polypus growth in the nose for about two years. He is now quite well. The next, a boy of 12, had a running of offensive matter from his ear, and was very deaf. The third, a little girl of six years, was also deaf, her deafness being due to enlarged tonsils. They are now quite well, and have so been ever since you treated them, now nearly 12 months since. MATTHEW HARRIS, Ultimo."

"Town Hall, Waterloo, 23rd June, 1882. To Dr. Stanich, Aurist, 50, Wynyard-square, Sydney. Sir,—I have the honour to convey to you by direction of this council its warmest thanks, for the gratuitous and successful treatment of several cases of deafness recommended to you by them, and especially for the remarkable cure of George Hunt, of Eveleigh-street, recently treated by you on the recommendation, after being assured by other medical men that his case was hopeless, as the malady was chronic. This the council thinks is especially noteworthy, as Hunt stated in his letter that he was relieved by your first operation in 10 minutes, and he had been suffering for three years previously. The poor fellow expresses his deep gratitude to you. Alderman Smith, who introduced him, bears willing testimony to the efficacy of his cure. Be pleased to use this as you think fit, as the council's estimate of your worth.—P. HOGAN, Mayor."

"Borough of Brunswick.—Town Hall, January 18, 1881.—Sir,—On behalf of the Council of the Borough of Brunswick, I have great pleasure in thanking you for the care and attention bestowed on the various cases from this district, recommended to you for charitable treatment. I desire to congratulate you on the success that has attended your efforts for the relief of the afflicted, and I trust that the result of the tour you are about to make throughout the Australian colonies may be beneficial to yourself and to all who avail themselves of your professional services.—I have the honor to be, sir, your most obedient servant, M. L. HUTCHINSON, Mayor."

"To Dr. Stanich.—Dear Sir,—I am happy to say that the patients you have, at my request, charitably treated for the loss of their sense of hearing, have in every case recovered. I therefore return you my best thanks on my own and their part for your generous help to suffering humanity. Very faithfully yours,—W. J. LARKIN, Catholic Clergyman, Dunedin."

"To Dr. Stanich.—Port Hacking, April 29, 1883.—Sir,—No doubt you will think it very unjust of me for running away from you like I did, but to tell you the truth, sir, I could not stay in Sydney any longer. You are at perfect liberty to publish that statement that you took down, as I believe myself to be perfectly cured. I have no pains whatever, nor is there any discharge in the least. I thank you again, sir, for the pains you took with me, and I wish you, from my heart, every success; and if it is ever in my power I will repay you as far as I can. From your humble servant, CHARLES M'GUIRE, National Park, Port Hacking, via Wonlora."

To the Public.—"I have been suffering for the last five years from a cancerous growth in my nose. I went to a doctor in this city, and he would do nothing without £20. Being a working man I could not afford it. I therefore went to the Glebe Town Council, and got a letter under date January 20, 1883, from Mr. J. D. O'Connor, Town Clerk, recommending my case to Dr. Stanich, of Wynyard-square, Sydney, who cured me of that terrible disease which prevented me earning my livelihood during the whole time of my suffering, and for which kindness I cannot find language to express my gratitude. The flesh which Dr. Stanich cut away from my nose fills a 4oz. bottle, and is preserved in spirits of wine for inspection at Dr. Stanich's rooms, 50, Wynyard-square, Sydney.—THOMAS SPLATT, Lyndhurst-street, Lyndhurst, near Glebe, Sydney."

"To Dr. Stanich.—Sir,—My daughter Lucy, having been for some time complaining of one of her eyes, I was induced, through the recommendation of C. B. Henderson, Esq., Mayor of Alexandria, to let you see her. You at once pronounced her eyesight good, but said if anything was wrong it must come from the ear. Upon examination you detected a hard substance embedded in her right ear, and on the second visit you, after great difficulty, extracted a pebble stone, which had been in her ear for 10 years. —Yours respectfully, AMELIA DONOVAN, Knightsbridge House, 24, Pitt-street, Redfern."

"I some months ago received a severe blow in the eye from the tail of my horse. Great inflammation set in, and after a few weeks a cataract growth was formed over the sight, which became thicker every day, until I was nearly blind. Fortunately I applied to Dr. Stanich, who removed the cataract from my eye without the least pain, and my sight was directly improved, and has become stronger every day, and I can now see perfectly well. Most of the Glebe Island butchers know my case to be a very bad one, and I would strongly advise anyone afflicted with bad eyes to consult Dr. Stanich, at 50, Wynyard-square, Sydney.—WILLIAM BOON, Butcher, Western-street, Balmain."

"Having suffered very severely from inflammation of both eyes, and having noticed in the paper the great relief Sir Alfred Stephen received in his sense of hearing from Dr. Stanich's treatment, I was induced to place myself under his care, and I am happy to state that he (Dr. Stanich) has made a heavenly cure of my eyes. You may publish this statement for the benefit of others similarly afflicted.—J. INMAN, Rookwood, November 17, 1883."

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DURABLE PARACHUTES, 3s 11d, 3s 11d, 4s 11d, 5s 9d
All Silk Parachutes, 3s 11d, 4s 9d, 5s 9d, 7s 6d, 9s 6d
Black Satin Parasols, with Lace, 3s 11d to 17s 6d
Plain Black Satin, 3s 11d, 4s 11d, 6s 6d, 7s 11d, 9s 6d, 12s 9d
Best Show in Town. Suit everybody.
Pretty Ties, 4½d to 1s 11d—Cream Coloured, White
Nice Collarettes, Ruffles, &c., from 6d to 3s 11d
Beautiful Millinery, to suit all types of beauty
Untrimmed Hats, every shape and quality
Laces, Feathers, Flowers, Fruit, and Wreaths.
EVERYTHING NICE FOR CHRISTMAS
at
THE CO-OP, 568, GEORGE-STREET.

Try and come This Week, as we shall be so very busy on Monday.

CHARLES LANE,
opposite St. Andrew's Cathedral.

General Merchandise.

CHRISTMAS, 1883.

HARDY BROTHERS
beg to invite the attention of their patrons and others to an unusually large stock of
JEWELLERY, WATCHES,
PLATE, CLOCKS, and SUNDRIES,

Ex Liguria, Shannon, and other recent arrivals, have been received several heavy shipments, and every department will now be found replete with articles suitable for the season.

To particularise too minutely would perhaps only confuse, but the following may assist in making a selection.

WATCH CHAINS.
Gentlemen's Alberts, in 12, 15, and 18 carat gold, platinum and gold, hair, silver, and steel for the bush
Victoria Chains, Opera Chains and Alberts for ladies, in 15 and 18 carat gold and silver

BRACELETS.
Gold Bracelets, in plain and ornamental designs, including stiff bands, flexible bands, large and small links, chain and sporting patterns, without and with diamonds, pearls, rubies, sapphires, emeralds, corals, &c.
Bracelets and Bangles made to order in gold or silver that cannot be taken off the arm when snapped

GOLD BROOCHES, LOCKETS, PENDANTS, and EARRINGS of newest designs, without and with the above gems.
Ditto, with stone cameos, shell cameos, mosaics, amethysts, topazes, insects, flies, arrows, horseshoes, &c.
Large plain Gold Lockets for raised or engraved monograms, all sizes
Oval, square, and signet Lockets for gentlemen, in 15 and 18 carat; extra heavy and strong
Maltese Crosses, with diamonds, sapphires, and rubies
Gold Necklets for children and young ladies, in neat pretty plain and spangle patterns
Large Gold Necklets, in and out of cases, for ladies
Broad Bands, Links, Chains, and the beautiful Milanese flexible patterns; Collarettes, some forming two bracelets.

RINGS.
Plain, Chased, and other fancy styles
All Diamond, and Diamond and Sapphire, Ruby, Pearl, Emerald, Opal, Coral, and Green Garnet, mounted in gipsy, flush, square, diamond boat, claw, coronet, half-hoop, and every variety of setting.
Gold Studs, Links, and Solitaires, in 15 and 18 carat; flat, solid, domed, ball, half-ball, and double lunette, square, round, and oval; choice sets of Whole Pearl front Studs.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF SILVER JEWELLERY.

WATCHES.
In this department our name is so well known throughout the colonies that we need only say our present stock consists of the best lines of English, Swiss, and American Watches, manufactured to our special order.
Ladies' and Gentlemen's Keyless and Non-keyless
Crystals, Hunters, Cut Hunters
Plain, Engine-turned, and Engraved, in gold and silver cases.

CHRONOGRAPHS by
Nicole and Nielsen and other first-class makers, always on hand.

CLOCKS.
Carriage Clocks, striking and silent, with and without alarm and repeating movement
Marble Clocks in great variety of design, for the dining-room, bedroom, private office, and library
Gilt Clocks, with plate-glass sides, compensating pendulum, and other styles, for the drawing-room.

In the PLATE DEPARTMENT will be found
Biscuit Boxes, Butter Dishes, Preserve Stands, Salad Bowls, Ice Pails, Claret and Beer Jugs of Crystal, Crown, Derby, Doulton, Majolica, and all the newest wares, mounted in sterling and electro-silver; also some all metal; Hot-water Breakfast Dishes, plain and engraved, revolving covers, all sizes, with trays for bacon, steak, chops, fish, &c., or bowl can be used for soup.
Communion Sets, for large and small congregations (a very suitable Xmas box to the church)
Cruets for the breakfast and dinner tables, in pairs and sets; larger sizes for the centre
Mugs, Knives, Forks, and Spoons; Rings, Pap Bowls and Spoons, Egg Cups and Spoons in cases, for the children
Candelabra, Table, Chamber, and Piano Candlesticks
Cream and Sugar Stands, Strawberry and other Fruit Stands, Custard Stands complete, with spoons, sifters, and ladles
Dish Covers, plain, beaded, and engraved, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20 inches
Dessert Stands, Centrepieces, Flower Vases, Jardinieres, &c.
Dessert and Fish Knives and Forks, in sets of 6 and 12 pairs, with ivory, pearl, and china handles
Fish and Salad Servers, in pairs, as above
Eggstands, 2 to 6 cups; Egg-boilers, with and without cups
Forks and Spoons. Sets of 78 pieces, dozens, or half-dozens, of a quality that has stood the test of over 20 years' service—Old English, Fiddle, King's, Bead, Shell and Thread, Wheatear, Edinboro', Rat-tail
Inkstands, Silver, Oxidised and Gilt, Oak and Electroplate
Kettles, 2 to 6 pint, plain and engraved
Spirit Stands, in oak and plate. Tantalus and others
Liqueur and Cigar Cabinets
Luncheon Trays, with Biscuit Box, Decanters, and Glasses
Cheese and Biscuit Stands
Napkin Rings, silver and electro-plate, single and in sets
Pickle Stands and Forks
Side or Entree Dishes, in pairs or sets of four, plain, engraved, and beaded edge
Salvers, in silver, electroplate, round, oval, oblong, 6 to 30 inches, of newest designs, some richly hand engraved. Burnished and frosted, with and without gallery border
Sardine Boxes, Toast Racks, Teapots, two to seven gills
Tea and Coffee Sets in great variety, with and without kettles
Vegetable Dishes, with 3 divisions and lift-out strainer, an improved kind.

SUNDRIES.
Aneroid Barometers, for the hall and verandah
Pocket ditto ditto, for tourists, marked with altitude scale to 8000 feet
Card Cases, silver, silver and gold, gilt and ivory, plain, engraved, and richly chased
Rodgers' and Wolstenholme's IXL Table and Pocket Cutlery
Field and Opera Glasses, in leather, pearl, ivory, tortoiseshell, and aluminium cases
Ivory Brushes, in cases, with and without mirrors, and other toilet requisites
Pencilcases and Smelling Bottles, in gold and silver. A very large lot, by the Shannon, of Jackplanes, Screws, Hammers, Champagne Bottles, &c., &c.
Travelling Bags, with ivory brushes and silver-mounted fittings.

SPECIALTIES:
DIAMOND and other Gem
Set Bracelets
Bangles
SOLITAIRE EARRINGS
Necklets
RINGS
CLOCKS
FORKS and SPOONS
Watches
PRESENTATION SILVER
CUPS, TANKARDS, &c.,
for Race and Coursing Meetings,
Athletic and all other Field and Aquatic Sports.

Full descriptions (patterns in some cases) and all information as to price, &c., forwarded to country residents, from whom the smallest orders are as carefully executed as if selected personally.

Though occasionally asked for a pattern book, it may be mentioned that where new designs are coming out almost every mail, it would be impossible to issue one that would convey an adequate idea of the almost innumerable styles comprising such a stock as the above.

HARDY BROTHERS.
19, Charterhouse-street, London. | 13, Hunter-street, Sydney.

NOTICE to the PUBLIC.—20 per cent. discount on marked prices. In consequence of the increase in our Wirework Department we are obliged to give up selling Plated Ware, Cutlery, and sundry fancy goods, so have determined to sell them off at 20 per cent. discount for cash. We give a list of what we are selling off:—Table and Dessert Knives, Plated Spoons and Forks, Soup and Sauce Ladles, Table Cruets, Breakfast Cruets, Egg Frames, Tea and Coffee Services, Salvers, Tea and Coffee Pots, Bread Knives and Platters, Nut Crackers, Knife Rests, Butter Dishes, Clocks, Jam Jars, Biscuit Barrels, Knife, Spoon, and Fork (in cases), Mugs, Candlesticks, Liqueur Frames, Cake Baskets, Pocket Knives, Iron Travelling Trunks, Kerosene Lamps.

EASTWAY BROTHERS, 413, George-street.

CHRISTMAS GOODS for SALE, cheap, both useful and ornamental.—French imitation Flowers, in pots, for decorating rooms, &c.; a large assortment of Garden Tools, suitable for children, ladies and gentlemen, from 3s to 20s per set; a good revolving Table Cruet for 8s, worth 15s; a very large assortment of Pocket Knives, from 1s each; some extra good ones, suitable for presents, up to 25s each; Scissors, from 1s each; Chamois Leathers, from 1s to 6s each; Sponges and Sponge Baskets, Wire Meat Covers, Hanging Wire Meat Safes; Wire Flower Stands, for holding flowers in pots, suitable for rooms, halls, balconies, and verandahs, handsomely painted and bronzed; wire and iron garden Arches, for training flowers over garden walks, &c.; Fern Baskets, Canary and Parrot Cages, and various other goods. EASTWAY BROTHERS, 413, George-street.

TO THE SYDNEY DOGS.—Please inform your Masters that we have just landed, ex P. and O. Company's s.s. Shannon, 1 case of Dog COLLARS, at
EASTWAY BROTHERS, 413, George-street.

TRAVELLING IRON TRUNKS.—Just opened, 40 cases, ex Firth of Tay, and we are selling them 20 per cent. under usual price.
EASTWAY BROTHERS, 413, George-street.

WHISKY.—GLENSHIEL, BOAR'S HEAD, 7 years old, Malt WHISKY, bulk and bottle, finest in market.
R. PHILLIPS and CO., Agents,
Bridge-street.

PURE ISLAND LIMEJUICE, in bottles and casks, all sizes. H. S. BIRD and CO., Macquarie-place.

NEW SEASON TEA, from ration to choicest quality, in small boxes and half-chests. Single package at wholesale price. H. S. BIRD and CO., removed from Pitt-street, Circular Quay, to Macquarie-place.

AUSTRALIAN WINE.—Carmichael's Porphyry, equal to best imported Hock, in cases, 3 dozen pints, 12s 6d dozen; 3 dozen quarts, 21s dozen. H. S. BIRD and CO. Removed from Pitt-street, Circular Quay, to Macquarie-place.

CHOICE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN WINES (dinner and dessert.—Frontignac, Tokay, Grenache, Muscat, Port, Sherry, Chablis, Madeira, and Reisling, from 2 gallons or 1 doz. upwards. H. S. Bird and Co., Macquarie-place, removed from Pitt-street.

CLARETS.—A de Luze's, Preller's, and VD, all numbers. CHAMPAGNE—Krug's, Roederer's, Moet and Chandon, Mumm's, Monopole, &c. SHERRY and PORT—Choice qualities. H. S. BIRD and CO., Macquarie-place.

ALES.—Foster's, Inde Coope's, Anglo-Bavarian, Tennent's, Bulldog, Flensburg. STOUT.—Pig, Boar's Head, Foster's. H. S. BIRD and CO., Macquarie-place, removed from Pitt-street, Circular Quay.

SPIRITS.—Whiskies of all kinds; Glenlivet, 6 years old; Brandy, and other spirits, of every brand; from 2 gallons or 1 dozen upwards.
H. S. BIRD and CO., Macquarie-place.

REAL YORK HAMS and BACON, Finnis and Fisher's, Bell's and Morton's, English and Dutch Cheese, Californian Canned Fruits, Preserved Game, Sausages, Meats, Soups, and Fish of all kinds. H. S. BIRD and CO., Macquarie-place.

MORTON'S York HAMS, ex Rialto, just landed. H. S. BIRD and CO., Macquarie-place.

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HOPS.—3 Tons this year's, in lots, cheap. S. S. Tiverton, daily expected. Sample 61, William-st., Woolloomooloo.

CHRISTMAS EVE.—RILEY BROTHERS are Cheapest for all kinds of Drapery and Clothing.

CURCIER AND ADET, IMPORTERS,
13, MACQUARIE-PLACE, SYDNEY,
HAVE FOR SALE—
BRANDY—Otard, Dupuy, and Co., in quarter-casks, cases, and flasks; Associated Vineyard, in hhds, ⅛-casks, cases, and flasks. Hennessy's case, 1 and 3 stars. Medium quality.
WHISKY—Scotch and Irish, in bulk and case.
RUM—Mauritius in hogsheads and quarter-casks.
ALE and PORTER—in cases, quarts and pints.
LIQUEURS—Absinthe, Curacoa, Maraschino, Noyeau, Benedictine, Chartreuse, and assorted liqueurs.
CLARETS and WINES—Bulk Claret in hogsheads. Cases, Vergniaud, Nos. 0, 1, 2, 3, 4. Fronsac and medium qualities, Sauterne, Burgundy, Chablis, Vermouth, Stein, Port Wine, Sherry, &c.
CHAMPAGNE—Krug and Co.'s, in magnums, quarts, pints, and half-pints, Moet and Chandon, medium qualities
CORKING MACHINES and CAPSULING MACHINES.
WINE CORKS—Superfine and medium quality, quarts and pints.
SUNDRIES—Sardines, Prunes, Mushrooms, Preserved Peas and Beans, Truffles, Vinegar, Salad Oil, assorted Syrups, Pates de foie Gras, Chocolate, Macaroni, Preserves.

KRUG AND CO.'S CHAMPAGNE.

Magnums, quarts, pints, and half-pints, for SALE by the undersigned.
CURCIER and ADET, Importers, 13, Macquarie-place, Sydney,
Agents for Australia.

VERGNIAUD CLARETS.

Vergniaud VD, Numbers 0, 1, 2, 3, and 4, in quarts and pints, for SALE by the undersigned.
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ASSOCIATED VINEYARD BRANDY.

In quarter-casks, cases, and flasks, Pale and Dark, for SALE by the undersigned.
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OTARD, DUPUY, and CO.'S BRANDY.

In quarter-casks, cases, and flasks, Pale and Dark, for SALE by the undersigned.
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THE GENUINE BOURBON WHISKY.

NOTICE
TO THE AUSTRALASIAN PUBLIC.

We have appointed, at date, Messrs. BARRON, MOXHAM, and CO., of Sydney, N. S. W., Sole Agents for the sale of our GENUINE BOURBON WHISKY in Australia and New Zealand; and they are hereby authorised to transact all business connected with said goods in the countries named.

No whisky is genuine unless it bears their firm's name, as well as our own, and the trade mark (Kangaroo), or the label of each bottle.

(Signed) A. P. HOTALING and CO.
(established 1852),
429 to 437, Jackson-street,
San Francisco, California.

February 10, 1883.

JOHN GILCHRIST AND CO.,
21, BRIDGE-STREET, SYDNEY,
HAVE FOR SALE—
BOTTLED ALE—Tennent's, quarts and pints, in champagne glass
BRANDY—Béchade's Pale Cognac, flasks and half-flasks
CANVAS—Baxter's Dundee
CHAMPAGNE—Jules Mumm and Co., Gold Top
CIGARETTES—Fruits and Flowers
CREAM OF TARTAR, cwt. kegs
FENCING WIRE—No. 6 Whitecross
FLOORCLOTH—Hendry, Whyte, and Strachan's A.B.C. and D. qualities
FLOORING BOARDS—R. Millar and Son's, Montrose
GALVANISED IRON—Davies' best CROWN and RED CROSS corrugated, ELEPHANT and Crown plain
HERRINGS—Muir's fresh and kippered, new catch
LIQUORICE—2-oz. sticks
MILK—Dairymaid brand
ORE BAGS, best quality
SALT—Black Horse, fine
SEAMING TWINE—Superior 5-ply flax
PORT, in quarter-casks
SHERRY—Medium and good in cases, ordinary in quarter-casks
TEA—In half-chests and boxes—season 1883-1884
WHISKY—ROYAL BLEND, in cases, jeroboams, and demijohns
Baxter's Barleybree, in cases
Boulton, Maynard, and Co.'s Ben Muich Dhu
Ditto ditto ditto Killarney (Irish).

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N. BARRIASSON and CO.'S COGNAC.

The undersigned, having been appointed Agents, have on hand an assortment of this first-class BRANDY, in bulk and cases, Vintage, 1870, 1872, 1874, 1875, 1877. Pale and dark.
M. BAAR and CO.

UAMVAR and MIDLOTHIAN SCOTCH WHISKY, Gold Medal Sydney Exhibition, 1879.
Tulloch's Cocoa, Chocolate, and Confectionery
S. and H. Harris' Ebonite Blacking, Dye, Liquid, Oil
Rowcliffe's Wove Wire Spring Mattresses, all sizes
Honeycomb and Turkey Sponges, Chamois Leathers
Lahey's Queensland Prize Arrowroot, &c.
W. H. FLETCHER and CO., 3, Queen's-place.

BISQUIT, DUBOUCHE, and CO.'S BRANDY, dark and pale, in hogsheads, quarter-casks, and case.
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OAKEY'S INDIARUBBER KNIFEBOARDS, from 1s 6d each.

OAKEY'S SILVERSMITH'S SOAP (non-mercurial) for cleansing and polishing silver, electroplate, plate-glass, marble, &c. Tablets, 6d

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JOHN OAKEY and SONS, Emery and Blacklead Mills, Westminster Bridge-road, London, England.

GIBSON'S REFRIGERATING PAINT, if applied to roofs of iron, slate, or glass, will have the effect of reducing the temperature within from 20 to 25 degrees. Purchasers are requested to see that they get GIBSON'S PAINT when they ask for it, as there is a spurious and worthless imitation being palmed off on the unwary as the genuine article. Make your houses cool and comfortable during the summer by using GIBSON'S REFRIGERATING PAINT.
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Agents for the Proprietor.

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The Grandest Display of high-class Gold and Silver Watches, Gold, Silver, and Diamond Jewellery ever seen, is now on view at
F. MITCHELL'S,
304, George-street, Sydney.

CAUTION.—When asking for a RHEINGOLD Cigar, see that you get served from a genuine box.

LUCIEN BELLOT and CO.'S BRANDIES, in quarter-casks and cases. H. HAEGE and CO., 93 and 95, Pitt-st.

NORWEGIAN LAGER BEER, ML brand, new brew, in splendid condition. H. HAEGE and CO., 93 and 95, Pitt-st.

TANKS.—Best London-make on SALE. J. T. and T. Toohey, Standard Brewery, Elizabeth-street.

TANKS, 200 and 400 gallons. Ships' Iron Water TANKS, cheap. W. ROBISON, 67, Sussex-street.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.—ROWLAND'S ÆRATED WATERS should be procured by everybody.

WATER TANKS FOR SALE,
EACH 400 GALLONS and 200 GALLONS.

JOHN FRAZER and CO.,
Grafton Wharf and York-street.

AITCHISON'S EDINBURGH PALE ALE.

Prize Medals, PARIS, Amsterdam, and London. Shipments of new brew, to arrive, now on SALE by
ALBERT A. SMITH,
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CAVES DU GRAND HOTEL, PARIS.
St. Julien
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Medoc, superior
Chateaux Margaux.
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BRAND—CHAS. FARRE, REIMS.
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ANDREW USHER and CO.'S
OLD VATTED
Registered Trade Mark
GLENLIVET WHISKY.
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CODFISH, in 30lb. boxes,
Herrings, in half-barrels.
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SARSAPARILLA.—Dr. S. P. TOWNSEND'S is now manufactured under the direction of Dr. James R. Chilton, of New York, whose certificate will be found in every wrapper of bottles of the genuine article.
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CHRISTMAS COMES BUT ONCE A YEAR.—Select a prime imported HAM; delicious Dates in 14-lb. boxes, 3½d per lb.; Queensland Royal Snowdrop, white, Milquin Sugar, 3½d, yellow 3d, by bag; Tea, in boxes, half-chests, and smaller lots, at 1s 6d per lb.; Tapioca, Table Rice, Carbolic Soap, Malacca Canes, Rattans, all sizes; Rum, 33 o.p., hhds. and qrs. in bond; Madagascar Sugar Pockets, &c., &c. HENRY FISHER and CO., 21, King-street West.

FOR SALE, Lot second-hand Tinsmith's TOOLS, round-faced Hammers, Stock Shears, Creasing Irons, Bick Irons, Anvil Stake, Horse Stakes, &c. T. Gibson, Rountree-street, near Bay-street, Balmain.

WHISKY.—GLENSHIEL, BOAR'S HEAD, 7 years old, Malt WHISKY, bulk and bottle, finest in market.
R. PHILLIPS and CO., Agents,
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WHISKY.—HAWTHORN BLEND, GLASGOW specialty. THOS. J. STUTCHBURY and CO., Agents.

CHAMPAGNE.—BOUZY CABINET, very superior; REVELLARD, No. 1 SILLERY, extra dry.
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FAUCONNIER, Dark and Pale BRANDY, in bulk and case, 1878 vintage, now landed.
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CANDIED PEEL, Walnuts, S. S. Almonds, Barcelona Nuts, DATES, French Plums, Carraways, GINGER, Sperms, new LING FISH, C. F. Jelly, CITRON Peel, FIGS, Muscatels, Sultanas, CURRANTS. STUTCHBURY and CO., 5, Wynyard-st.

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XMAS SUPPLIES
should be ordered at once.

BODEGA,
open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Iced Glass and Single Bottle of every variety, sweet and dry.

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OUR TOILET-TABLE Almanacs are ready for distribution. Campbell Brothers, Royal Furnishing Arcade.

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have for SALE—
CEMENT—Hilton's (sole agents)
"BELL BRAND" PAINTS, OILS, &c., &c.
OILS—Raw, Boiled, and Colza, in drums and casks
TAR—Stockholm, in drums
LEAD—White and Red, in kegs and firkins
PAINTS—Red Oxide, Black, Green, Liquid
COLOURS, DRY—Venetian Red, Ultramarine Blue, Lamp Black, Raddle, &c.
GREASE—Antifriction, "STORER'S" Celebrated "BELL BRAND"
COTTON WASTE
SODAS—70 and 76 per cent., Gossage's Silicate
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FENCING WIRE—Ryland's Nos. 6, 8, 10
MUNTZ METAL—All sizes
BAGS—One and 3-bushel
TWINE—Seaming and Roping, superior, 3 and 5 ply
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INDENTS executed on the most favourable terms for Hardware and every description of Merchandise.
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FOR SALE, ex Iberia, Cut, Etched, and Engraved TABLE GLASS (E. Webb's); Farm and Grass Seeds (E. Webb and Sons); Plate Glasses (P. R. and B.); Albumenised Paper, Sensitised Paper, Dry Plates, &c. (Thouns and Co.)
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Agents for the Milner Safe Co.

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JULES MUMM and CO., REIMS.

Extra Quality. Gold Top.

This celebrated brand is unsurpassed by any others imported into the colony, and was supplied by special request to H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh when travelling in Australia.

May be obtained from all the principal Wine Merchants in New South Wales.

THE UNIVERSAL and ATLAS MANGLES and WRINGERS, £4 and £4 10s. The PATENT LEVER MANGLE, with cloth, 70s.
HEBBLEWHITE and CO., 416, George-street, Sydney.

THE AMERICAN DOVER STOVE, one of the very best, price £4. Send for the price-list of all our household requisites.
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FRETWORK Designs, Fretwood, Bracket Saws and Blades, a fine assortment. Hebblewhite and Co., 416, Geo.-st.

AMERICAN TUBS, nest of 8, for 20s
AMERICAN BARROWS, light, strong, and durable, 20s
AMERICAN BLIND-ROLLERS (Hartshorn's), with fittings, 1s 9d and 2s each; AMERICAN JELLY TUMBLERS, for preserves, jellies, honey, &c.; American SPRING BEDS, of best steel wire, coppered. HEBBLEWHITE and CO., 416, George-st.

PORTABLE Washing BOILERS, with the new seamless copper which cannot leak. Hebblewhite, 416, George-st.

FRUIT PRESERVING for general use is so easily managed now by using the AMERICAN FRUIT PRESERVING BOTTLES, which have RUBBER BANDS and AIR TIGHT CAPS, that no housewife should be without her winter store of fruit of all sorts.

Send for particulars, showing the best kinds of bottles, prices, and instructions for use.

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KILL THE FLIES!—They enter the Crystal Fly Traps and die in thousands. It is clean and elegant, and is fit for the drawing-room or kitchen. Price, one shilling. WASHINGTON H. SOUL and CO., 177, Pitt-street, one door from King-street; and 268, opposite the Temperance Hall.

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FOR SALE, 5 tons of Caustic POTASH. Apply H. Haigh and Son, Exchange, Sydney.

TO ECONOMICAL HOUSEWIVES.—Your Grocer can purchase inferior Soaps 8s a hundredweight less than he can buy Allen's No. 1 Crown Soap, and he charges for them the same price per bar. He reaps the benefit and you pay for it. You lose 8s a box, your clothes last no time, and their colours are destroyed by the adulteration. To avoid all this see that your bar of soap is stamped "ALLEN'S No. 1 Crown."

GAS STOVE "Victory" versus tile-lined Gas Stoves. See public notices. Raleigh, 258, Elizabeth-street.

TINPLATES, IC, IX, IXX, for SALE. W. Fox, 266, George-street.

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CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

Beautiful Cups and Saucers, Chaste Dessert Services
New Tea and Breakfast Sets, Handsome Chamber Ware
Large Choice Dinner Sets, Beautiful Flower Stands, 13s 6d each
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Old Gold and Silver Glassware, Kettledrum Sets
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TANKS for SALE, 400 and 200 gallon, clean and cheap. Milne Brothers, 160, Sussex-st.

GAS STOVE "VICTORY."

SPECIAL NOTICE.

M. RALEIGH, the inventor of the favourite Gas Stove "Victory," will in a few days introduce to the notice of the Sydney public a new Gas Cooking Stove designed expressly for the purpose of showing what might be done with the old-fashioned and tile-lined gas stoves, and how the 75 per cent. of heat wasted by them might be utilised by a practical knowledge of the law of heat and its economical application for cooking and heating purposes.

Before you buy an English Gas Stove read the following letter. It may save you some disappointment.

"Hudson Brothers, Limited, Sydney,
"August 24th, 1883.

"Mr. M. Raleigh, Elizabeth-street.

"Dear Sir,
"As you are aware, I purchased some months ago an English Gas Stove, with tiled sides, which was strongly recommended to me. This stove had a fair trial, when it was found not to answer for either roasting or boiling. I sent the stove to you to be altered into a Raleigh Stove, and I have now had it in use in my kitchen in its altered state for some weeks past, and I think it only fair to tell you that whilst in its original condition it was almost useless to me, it now answers admirably for all purposes, viz., baking, roasting, grilling, toasting, and boiling.
"Yours truly,
"JOHN J. WOOD."

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COOKING STOVES AND RANGES.

To reduce our Stock and clear out balance of Winter Goods, we have determined to sell at REDUCED PRICES for a few weeks.

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Extra fittings of all kinds. Stoves repaired.

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The newest and best yet manufactured are white tile lined; no escape of heat is permitted, thus saving 40 per cent. of gas over all others. By permission of the Gas Company, we are enabled to show them in operation. F. R. ROBINSON and SON, Licensed Plumbers and Gasfitters, 486, George-street, down the gateway.

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The "DAUNTLESS" RANGE.—No. 7, 75s; No. 8, 90s; with pipe and pan.
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(Exactly opposite Christ Church, and near Railway Station),
Importer of all kinds of
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Mr. SMITH takes this opportunity of thanking friends and the public for past favours and patronage bestowed upon him, and respectfully solicits a continuance of the same, by civility, honesty in business, and first-class goods at cheapest rates, to merit the same. Speciality—Diston's Saws.

Country orders punctually attended to and carefully packed.
Please note the Address—PETER SMITH,
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A liberal discount to wholesale buyers.

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IRONSTONE GRAVEL.—For SALE, splendid red Ironstone Gravel. 21, William-street E., Rushcutter Bay.

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TOYS, Fancy Goods, &c., suitable for Christmas presents, our Seniors' selecting. American Novelty Company.

PARRAMATTA RIVER STEAMERS and PARK TRAMWAY.—Most delightful trip out of Sydney, quick, cheap, and pleasant in every way. Steamers from King-street, 6.30, 9, 11, 1, 3, 5; No. 4 Jetty, 10, 3. Return tickets single fare. TO-DAY. TO-MORROW, from King-street, 9.15, 11, 2.15, 3, 6.15. It is a good time to go at 5.5 any day. See the EXHIBITION in the Park and enjoy the music in the evening.

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MARBLE and Enamelled Slate Mantelpieces, Fenders, and Hearth Tiles, a splendid assortment now on view; also Register Grates from 16s to 27 each, in great variety. G. E. CRANE and SON, City Cement Stores, Pitt-street, Circular Quay.

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For SALE, Wrought STONE, BALLAST, and RUBBLE. McLeod and Noble, contractors' office, Town Hall.

PITCH PINE, PITCH PINE.—GOODLET and SMITH are now landing a cargo of PITCH PINE, ex NORMA, from Savannah, consisting of—
1 and 1¼ in. T. and G. Flooring, 4, 5, and 6 inches wide
3, 4, and 6 in. Plank, 9, 10, and 12 inches wide
10 x 10 and 12 x 12 Beams, to 50 feet.
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TALLOW WOOD, Cedar, Pine, Kauri, all sizes in stock, or cut to order. G. and S. FREDDEY, Erskine-street.

PALINGS, Pickets, Laths, Posts and Rails. G. and S. PREDDEY, Sawmills, Erskine-street.

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FRANCIS GUY, Pyrmont Timber Yards.

ALLEN AND WALKER,
CITY SAWMILLS, DRUITT-STREET,

Have in stock best Northern Hardwood, all sizes; Kauri and Colonial Pine or Cedar, cut to any size, Flooring Boards; Hardwood, Oregon, Kauri, colonial pine and spruce; Lining Boards; 6 and 8 x ½ up to ¾, T and G. and beaded.

Joiners' Work of every description made on the shortest notice. Scroll sawing, mouldings, made any pattern.

Galvanised iron, screws, cement, posts and rails, palings, and every requisite for building purposes.

Cases in stock for fruit, soap, candles, &c.

ON SALE by the Undersigned—
American Shelving and Clear Pine
Baltic Lining and Flooring
Redwood, Oregon, Colonial Pine
Doors and Sashes
Hardwood, Palings, Laths, Redwood, Shingles
Galvanised Iron, &c., &c.
JOHN TAYLOR and CO., 15, Sussex-street.

DICKSON and SON, having completed the erection of Sawmills at Nambucca River, are prepared to supply Hardwood of the best description up to 60-feet lengths; Oregon, Clear Pine, Redwood, Cedar, Joinery of all descriptions manufactured to order.
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AUCKLAND TIMBER COMPANY, Limited,
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Have on hand—
A large stock of Kauri in flitches, boards, T. and G. flooring, all sizes; Skirting, Architraves, Mouldings, Mantelpieces, square and circular; and Kauri Doors, largest stock in Sydney.

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MILLER AND HARRISON,
Albion Wharf,
TIMBER of all descriptions, rough or dressed
SHINGLES, Laths, Palings
GALVANISED IRON and GUTTERING
CEMENT
DOORS and Sashes, all sizes
JOINERY of all kinds made to order
BALTIC, in DEALS, or cut as required
OREGON SPARS, DEALS, and T. and G., full cut.

TIMBER DELIVERED to any part of the Harbour by steam launch. MILLER and HARRISON.

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D. and W. ROBERTSON,
Iron and Machinery Importers,
York and Market streets, Sydney,
supply all sizes of Rolled H. Joists and Combined Girders.
Also, Roofing and Girder Work, of all kinds.
Prices and particulars on application.

TIMBER, TIMBER,
at Circular Quay Yard and Petersham Sawmills, for SALE.
Pines of all descriptions, dressed and rough. Hardwood, all sizes, and sawn to order; large lot, 9 x 3 and 7 x 3. Baltic Deals.
Galvanised Iron, all lengths.
Knight, Bevan, and Sturge's Cement.
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BRITISH PLATE AND SHEET GLASS, Oils, Lead, Colours, Brushware, Paperhangings, Varnishes, &c., &c. The largest and best assorted stock in the colony.
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AMERICAN Doors, Shelving, Clear Pine, Redwood Shingles, now landing. G. and S. Preddey, Erskine-street.

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ODLING BROTHERS have on SALE, at the Custom-house-buildings, Circular Quay, Marble and Enamelled Slate Mantelpieces, Marble Tiles, Fenders, Coffee Tables, and Washtops and Encaustic Tiles, &c.

BUILDERS, CONTRACTORS, and Others.

Scotch Flooring BOARDS, T. and G., 6 x ⅞, 18s 6d; ¾, 15s 6d; ⅝, 12s 6d per 100 feet. W. S. THOMSON, 12, Bond-street.

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N.B.—Goods in bond, also in stores.

FIRST-CLASS H.M. BRICKS for SALE, Sydenham-road, Marrickville, or 17, Bond-street.
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KAURI PINE, N.Z.—500,000ft. 6 and 4 x 1 T. and G. Flooring, seasoned. G. F. MASON, Patent Slip Wharf.

KAURI PINE, N.Z., Shelving, Architraves, Skirting, Mouldings, 4 x 4.6; 5ft. F. Pickets. G. F. MASON.

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KAURI PINE, N.Z.—Doors, Sashes, F. Lights, Mantelpieces, Cedar doors, &c. G. F. MASON.

KAURI PINE, N.Z.—800,000ft. ½, ⅝, 1, 1¼, 1½, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 inch to 40 inch, seasoned. G. F. MASON.

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PITCH PINE, in spars and planks, on hand or cut to order; also flooring, 1 and 1¼ inch thick, acknowledged to be best timber for halls and public buildings; Baltic Deals, all sizes; Oregon, Huon Pine, Camphor Wood planks, Colonial Pine, Redwood, and Hardwood, at lowest prices.
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BALTIC, OREGON, and KAURI Flooring and Lining, 1¼, 1, ⅞, ¾, and ⅝, at greatly reduced prices. GOODLET and SMITH, Victoria Saw and Moulding Mills, 493, George-street, and 7, Parramatta-street.

OREGON Spars, Tisbeams, Plank, Scantling, Flooring, &c., at reduced prices.
BALTIC DEALS and AMERICAN REDWOOD
BALTIC FLOORING and LINING, all thicknesses
AMERICAN Clear Pine Doors and Cedar Sashes, all sizes
AMERICAN Redwood Shingles and Sawn Laths
CEDAR BOARDS, from ⅝ inch upwards
KAURI and Colonial Pine, in large stock
COLONIAL HARDWOOD on hand, and cut to order
GALVANISED IRON, 6 feet to 10 feet lengths
GALVANISED Ridge Capping, Guttering, Screws, &c.
SHEET LEAD, assorted sizes, Lead Washers, &c.
CEMENT, PLASTER OF PARIS, and Fire Clay
STONEWARE, DRAIN PIPES, Paving Bricks, &c.
BUILDING BRICKS, Fire Bricks, Tiles, &c., &c.
PLATE-GLASS, rolled plate and sheet
GLASS, 16, 21, 26, and 32 oz., all sizes
FANCY GLASS, in great variety.
GOODLET and SMITH, 493, George-street,
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40,000 feet 6 x 1, T. and G. Flooring
10,000 feet 4 x 1 T. and G. Flooring
100,000 feet 8 to 18 x ½, ⅝, 1, 1¼, 1½, 2 in.
30,000 feet Scantling and Battens.
Orders received for trade lots or by the cargo, at reduced rates.
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TIMBER.—Pine and Cedar cut to order. James, Baltic Wharf, or C. B. Bond, Sussex-street.

MONUMENTS and Tombstones, in marble, granite, and freestone; railings, &c. J. Cunningham, Wynyard-square.

W. BURNS and CO., Limited, Wholesale and Retail Timber Merchants, have now on hand—
DOORS, all sizes, Sugar Pine and Redwood
MOULDINGS, in stock and dressed to order
ARCHITRAVES, 4in., 5in., and 6in., all patterns
SKIRTINGS, 6in. to 10in., O.G., and dressed to order
FLOORING, Kauri, Oregon, Pitch Pine, &c., &c.
LINING, Baltic, all sizes
OREGON Lumber, all sizes, and cut to order
REDWOOD, Pitch Pine, Kauri, Col. Pine, &c., &c.
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FOR SALE, old TIMBER, cheap. Clarence and Erskine streets.

Drapery, Haberdashery, &c.

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JUST COME INTO PITT-STREET,
Come into Pitt-street,
Into Pitt-street,
Pitt-street,
AND SEE THE BEAUTIFUL DISPLAY
OF EVERYTHING
of everything
of everything
IN HORDERNS' WINDOWS, PITT-STREET,
Horderns' Windows, Pitt-street,
Horderns' Windows, Pitt-street.

SEE OUR CHRISTMAS WINDOWS,
Our Christmas Windows,
Christmas Windows.

We wish all our Customers
THE COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON.

HORDERN BROTHERS,
174, 176, 209, 211, Pitt-street,
near King-street Tram.

HORDERN BROTHERS, in PITT-STREET,
are desirous that their
COUNTRY CUSTOMERS
should participate in the
XMAS. ADVANTAGES OFFERED XMAS.
in their
NEW TAILORING DEPARTMENT.

They therefore invite
XMAS. VISITORS FROM THE COUNTRY
to register their measure
FREE OF CHARGE
with the head cutter at XMAS.
HORDERN BROTHERS', in PITT-STREET,

XMAS. SERVICEABLE TWEED SUITS,
made to order,
FIFTY SHILLINGS. XMAS.

FASHIONABLE TWEED TROUSERS
made to measure,
THIRTEEN SHILLINGS.

XMAS. These goods are
TAILOR-MADE, XMAS.
and, being soaked twenty-four hours,
CANNOT SHRINK.
The pockets and linings are all good,
THE WORK EXCELLENT,
XMAS. and the cut and fit XMAS.
CANNOT BE SURPASSED.

Those gentlemen who are at present supplied with what they require are invited to register their measure FREE of CHARGE, and ensure a correct fit when they order clothes in future. We send samples of the newest goods on application at any time, and deliver all parcels free by rail.

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READY MONEY TAILORS and WOOLLEN DRAPERS,
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DON'T FORGET THIS IS THE WEEK
to Buy all you want
Xmas for CHRISTMAS
Xmas for Christmas
Xmas for Christmas.

Xmas EVERYTHING, EVERYTHING at HORDERNS',
Xmas at Hordern's, at Horderns',
Xmas at Horderns',
Xmas in Pitt-street,
Xmas 211, Pitt-street.

GREAT PREPARATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS.
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SEE OUR MAGNIFICENT WINDOW IN PITT-STREET
Crowded with Novelties.
Xmas Crowded with Novelties.
Xmas Crowded with Novelties.

Xmas There is a very great Curiosity in our
Xmas Southern Window.
Xmas COME AND SEE IT.

Xmas COUNTRY VISITORS will find
Xmas MILLINERY ready trimmed for them
Xmas COSTUMES ready made for them, and
Xmas SUITS for Gentlemen and Boys
Xmas in every shape, size, and price.

Xmas You are cordially invited
Xmas TO-DAY.

HORDERN BROTHERS, 211, Pitt-street.

BEAUTIFUL CREAM SATIN-FAILLE RIBBONS.

SATIN-FAILLE RIBBONS.

LOVELY COMBINATION,

Every Width.

JUST ARRIVED,
ex SHANNON.

COME and SEE THEM.

JUST THE THING
for
CHRISTMAS.

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EVERYTHING YOU WANT
for
CHRISTMAS
at
HORDERNS',

HORDERNS',
in
PITT-STREET.

HORDERN BROTHERS,
211, Pitt-street.

CENTRE OF ATTRACTION.

GLOVES FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.
HORDERN BROTHERS,
211, Pitt-street,
are now exhibiting a special importation of pretty novelties in
GLOVES OF EVERY DESCRIPTION,
ex s.s. Iberia.

We are selling Calvat's 4-Button French Kid Gloves, in all the fashionable tints, at 3s 11d per pair.

Visitors from the other colonies who have proved the superiority of Calvat's celebrated Kid Gloves, will save at least 30 per cent. by purchasing what they require at
HORDERN BROTHERS,
211, Pitt-street.

Try our 4-Button French Kid Gloves at 2s 6d per pair.

We have a very choice variety of Gauntlet and Mousquetaire Kid Gloves, to match any costume.

We have an endless variety of Taffeta Silk and Lisle Thread Gloves, from 3d per pair.

Jersey Taffeta Gloves, in all colours, from 2 to 30-button lengths.

HORDERN BROTHERS,
211, Pitt-street.

THE COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON
from
HORDERN BROTHERS IN PITT-STREET

WE WISH YOU ALL
HEALTH,
WEALTH,
and
PROSPERITY.

GENTLEMEN FROM THE COUNTRY,
kindly call and register your Measure with our Head Cutter,
FREE OF CHARGE,
and ensure a perfect fit when you require a Suit in future.

HORDERN BROTHERS, IN PITT-STREET.

READY MONEY TAILORS.

PITT-STREET ONLY.

COUNTRY VISITORS IN SYDNEY
Come to Horderns'
HORDERNS' IN PITT-STREET,
and arrange for your orders
being executed, &c., &c., when you may have got home again.

HORDERN BROTHERS, 211, Pitt-street,
near King-street.

COME AND SEE
THE BIG CHRISTMAS PUDDING
in our Window,
HORDERNS' in PITT-STREET.

THE SYDNEY MAIL.
THE CHRISTMAS NUMBER,
FULL OF PICTURES,
and with COLOURED SUPPLEMENT,
is now on sale.
Price Sixpence.

GRANDEST BOOTS and SHOES in the colony, just opened. FLYNN, 81 and 215, Oxford-street.

SPECIAL MEMORANDUM.

TO THE PUBLIC IN GENERAL
and
OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS.

Ladies and Gentlemen,—To you all a Christmas greeting, wishing you all the merriest of Christmases and the happiest of New Years. Once more, dear friends, Christmas has come round, and once more it affords us very much pleasure to thank you most heartily for the very liberal manner in which you have patronised us during the last twelve months.

It is highly gratifying to us to be able to inform you that during the past year our business has increased far away and beyond our expectations.

We have much pleasure in informing you that our Mr. PERCY HORDERN PROCEEDS TO INDIA by the Royal Mail Steamer ROME to be present at the CALCUTTA EXHIBITION for the express purpose of purchasing and forwarding to us a celebrated Indian manufacturer's stock of
INDIAN CASHMERES
for our New Year's trade.

In conclusion, Ladies and Gentlemen, allow us to hope that we may be all spared for many years to come, and that during that time we will meet with that same most liberal support which we have enjoyed since we first commenced business in the year 1825.

Yours most respectfully,
EDWARD HORDERN and SONS,
668, Brickfield-hill,
more commonly known as
HORDERNS ON THE BRICKFIELD-HILL.

THE SALE OF JAPANESE BLINDS continued To-day at the Royal Furnishing Arcade. See page .

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BOXING DAY.—Land SALE at LITTLE COOGEE. Call for Litho. Thos. O'Toole, 112, Pitt-street.

ANTHONY HORDERN AND SONS,
PALACE EMPORIUM,
HAYMARKET
(ONLY).

CHRISTMAS, 1883. CHRISTMAS, 1883.

We have the
MOST MAGNIFICENT SHOW
of goods in
THE SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE.

THE HOLIDAYS. THE HOLIDAYS. THE HOLIDAYS.
OUR SHOW ROOMS
are full of
CHOICE AND FASHIONABLE GOODS.

CHRISTMAS. CHRISTMAS. CHRISTMAS.
We have the
MOST CHARMING VARIETY
of pretty and useful articles for
CHRISTMAS PRESENTS
in these colonies.

HUNDREDS OF DOLLS
in all sizes, some most exquisitely dressed in the fashion of the day.

ROCKING HORSES, ROCKING HORSES,
covered with skin, with flowing mane,
A HANDSOME PRESENT
for a
LITTLE BOY.

A MOST BEAUTIFUL CHOICE
of
SILVER JEWELLERY
and
REAL WHITBY JET.
all the newest and prettiest designs, very appropriate
for
CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

THE PALACE KID GLOVE,
from 2s 11d the pair.

Do not forget that half a dozen pair of these splendid gloves make a very
HANDSOME CHRISTMAS PRESENT.

THE PALACE EMPORIUM,
HAYMARKET,
is acknowledged to be the best place for
READY MADE CLOTHING.

SPECIAL PRICES FOR CHRISTMAS.
Gent.'s Tweed Sac Suits, in great variety, latest fashions, 20s, 35s
Ditto ditto Trousers and Vests, to match, 10s 6d, 12s 6d, 15s, 20s
Ditto White Linen Drill Sacs, 7s 6d
Ditto ditto Patrol Coats, 9s
Ditto ditto Vests, all sizes, 5s
Ditto China Silk Patrol Coats, 10s 6d
Ditto Fancy Worsted Sac Suits, 18s 6d
Ditto Black Alpaca Sac Coats, 9s 6d
Boys' and Youths' Fancy Tweed Hussar Knicker Suits, neatly trimmed and lined, 5s 3d
Ditto Sateen Tunic Knicker Suits, 5s 3d
Ditto Brown Holland Berkeley Knicker Suits, 2s, 4s 3d, 6s
Boys' and Youths' Fancy Drill Norfolk Knicker Suits, 7s 6d, 8s 6d
Youths' Fancy Tweed Suits, 14s 9d
Ditto ditto Worsted Suits, well made, 25s
Ditto Light Tweed Summer Suits, 21s
Ditto Holland Sac Coats, 3s 6d
Ditto China Silk Sac Coats, 6s 6d.

THE PALACE EMPORIUM, HAYMARKET,
is renowned throughout the colony for
CHEAP AND DURABLE
BOOTS AND SHOES.

£30,000 WORTH TO SELECT FROM.

500 Trunks just landed, ex Shannon.

Ladies' Glove Kid E.S. Shoes, 5s 9d
Ditto ditto ditto Button and Levant Shoes, 5s 9d
Ditto ditto ditto E.S. Boots, high leg, 5s 9d
Ditto Lasting E.S. Boots, patent toes, M. H., sewn, 5s 9d
15,000 pairs Ladies' Bathroom Slippers, at 1s
5000 ditto Children's ditto ditto ditto, at 8d
Ladies' Shoes for evening wear, 2s 11d
Boys' and Youths' Leather E.S. Boots, 2s 10½d
Child's Glove Kid E.S. Boots, from 1s 3d
Ditto in Fancy Patent, E.S., T.P.R., 1s 11d
A large assortment of Ladies' Glacé and Glove Kid Button Boots, from 7s 9d
Gent.'s E.S. Boots, good wear, 5s 6d
Ditto Shooting ditto, 6s 11d
Ditto Calf Derby Shoes, 5s 9d
Gent.'s Patent Court Shoes, 6s 9d

A large assortment of Gents.' E.S. Boots and Shoes, in cloth tops, the single pair less than wholesale price.
Brown's Satin Polish, 4d per bottle.

THE PALACE EMPORIUM, HAYMARKET,
bears a high reputation for
HATS and CAPS.
THE GRANDEST DISPLAY IN AUSTRALIA.
See our George-street window.
HATS Boys' Straw Hats from 1s HATS
Ditto Leghorn ditto ditto 1s 11d
Men's ditto ditto ditto 2s 6d
HATS Ditto Panama ditto ditto 7s 6d HATS
Pith Helmets only 2s 6d,
worth 4s 6d
HATS Lawn Tennis Hats, HATS
all colours, from 1s.
Cricketing Caps, all colours,
from 1s.
Gent.'s Camp Hats, in all
HATS the latest designs and colours, HATS
from 1s 11d.
Gent.'s Smoking Caps, in all
colours, suitable for
CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.
HATS All Colours, from 2s 6d HATS

SUNSHADES FOR CHRISTMAS. SUNSHADES. FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

Ladies' Black Satin Sunshades, trimmed deep black lace, 2s 6d to 60s
Ladies' Cream Satin Sunshades, trimmed deep cream lace, 18s to 60s
Ladies' Cream Lace Sunshades, 5s 11d to 50s
Ladies Lustrine, Tasso, and Sateen Sunshades, trimmed cream lace, from 3s 11d to 8s 6d
Ladies Cream Satin Sunshades (12 gilt ribs), 10s 6d to 21s
Children's Sunshades, 7½d to 9s

CHRISTMAS MILLINERY. CHRISTMAS MILLINERY.

Millinery Hats trimmed feather, lace, ribbon, and satin, 14s 6d, 15s 6d, 16s 6d
Millinery Bonnets, neatly trimmed, all the newest shades, 12s 6d, 15s 6d

A SPECIAL LINE.

Children's Sailor Hats, trimmed satin, lace, net, and ribbons, very pretty, 7s 9d to 12s 6d.

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ELEGANT NICKNACS.

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ANTHONY HORDERN AND SONS,
PALACE EMPORIUM,
HAYMARKET
(ONLY).

THREE MINUTES' WALK FROM THE RAILWAY STATION.

NOTICE.
For the convenience of our patrons our Establishments will be open till late on Monday evening next the 24th instant.

Stock and Stations.

FOR SALE, a small choice STATION, about 40 miles from Bathurst, consisting of 172 acres Freehold Land, 18,650 acres Leasehold, 3300 grown Sheep, with 1600 Lambs, 7-roomed Cottage, Woolshed, Huts, Paddocks, &c., in good order; immediate possession can be given.
Apply to
HILL, CLARK, and CO.,
Stock and Station Agents,
Pitt-street, Sydney.

WILLIAM SLOANE AND CO.,
Agents for
PASTORAL PROPERTIES and SUGAR ESTATES.

SYDNEY—81, PITT-STREET.
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Brisbane—160, Elizabeth-street.
Townsville—Flinders-street.
Mackay Agency—W. H. Paxton.
London House:
Young, Ehlers, and Co., 32, Great St. Helens, E. C.

AGENTS FOR—
Money Wigram and Sons', Limited, Line of Steamers.
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ADVANCES MADE on STATION PROPERTIES, or on WOOL or other produce consigned to them for sale either in the colonies or London.

PASTORAL PROPERTIES FOR SALE in each of the colonies; special attention being directed to a number of stocked and unstocked SHEEP and CATTLE STATIONS in the North and South Gregory, Mitchell, and Burke districts of Queensland, as well as first-class well-watered unstocked SHEEP COUNTRY, close to the Queensland boundary, in the Northern Territory of South Australia, and in the Kimberley district of Western Australia.

Stock for sale in all the colonies. Particular attention is directed to several lots of first-class sheep from Riverina and other districts for sale.

Particulars or lists of Stations and Stock in our hands for sale may be had on application.

FOR SALE, splendid lot of young well-bred PIGS, with feed free. Peate, Evening News.

CHEAP CATTLE STATION.

FOR PRIVATE SALE.

GWYDIR DISTRICT.

PITT, SON, and BADGERY have been instructed by the proprietor to offer, privately, the
BUNABA and CURRAGUNDI STATIONS,
on the Gill Gill Creek and Big River, near Moree,
and comprising about 2500 acres of Freehold and 100,000 acres of Leasehold Land, together with about 5500 Cattle, Horses, Stores, Plant, &c.

The runs are all fenced, and the country is equal to anything in the district for fattening, and admirably adapted for sheep.

Price for the lot, £20,000. Terms liberal.

SANTA CLAUS' HEADQUARTERS.—TOYS, Christmas Presents, of every description. American Novelty Co., Pitt-street.

A. A. COMPANY'S
WARRAH BULLS.

For Private SALE, a splendid LOT of the above BULLS, from 18 months to 2 years old.
They can now be inspected at Warrah.
Full particulars on application to
PITT, SON, and BADGERY,
Pastoral-chambers,
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THE EMPORIUM
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SUPERIOR CLASS AMERICAN CARRIAGES,
BUGGIES, HARNESS and EXPRESS
WAGGONS,
BUILT EXPRESSLY
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COLONIAL USE.

An assortment of latest designs always on hand, and monthly shipments to arrive.

MATERIALS and WORKMANSHIP will stand any climate.

BARRON, MOXHAM, and CO.,
Importers and Sole Agents,
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JOHN BRUSH, SON, and CO.,
Manufacturers and Importers of every description of
SADDLERY and HARNESS
Ex Gulf of Venice.
6 cases best London-made Carriage, Gig, and Buggy Harness.
7 cases London-made Trunks and Bags
2 cases Boys' Bicycles, with rubber tyres.

Address: 403, GEORGE-STREET, opposite Royal Hotel.

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for
CARRIAGES,
BUGGIES,
WAGGONS,
and
HARNESS,
ENGLISH, AMERICAN, and COLONIAL.

SHOW ROOMS,
99 and 101, CASTLEREAGH-STREET,
near King-street,
FACTORY,
NEWTOWN.

O'BRIEN'S.
MANUFACTURERS and IMPORTERS
of every description of
CARRIAGES, BUGGIES, WAGGONS, and our CELEBRATED
£35 CROYDON VILLAGE CARTS.
Address 121, CASTLEREAGH-STREET, between MARKET and KING STREETS.
Note the BLUE FLAG, under the GOLDEN EAGLE, suspended on top of Showrooms.

FOR SALE, Draught MARE, 17 hands, 4 years, any trial; 40 guineas. W. Martyn, Springwood.

BUGGIES, BUGGIES, WAGGONS, CARTS, &c.

The largest, cheapest, and best assortment in the colony.
Buggies, £28; Waggons, £26; Spring-carts, £13, at
JOHN ROBERTSON'S
STEAM COACH and BUGGY MANUFACTORY,
Pitt-street, near Haymarket.
N.B.—Country visitors are invited to inspect the works.

FOR SALE, double and single seated BUGGIES, Sociables, Waggons, and Landaus; second-hand tray Buggy, £18; ditto, with top, £30. Fitzgerald and Collins, 209, Castlereagh-street.

KEAREY BROTHERS
CARRIAGE MANUFACTURERS,
and
IMPORTERS OF AMERICAN BUGGIES, WAGGONS, &c.,
have now on SALE—
Four-seat extension top Cabriolets
Oppenheim jump-seats, top and no top
Corning Buggies, top and no top (a very popular style)
Two and three spring Ladies' Phaetons
Cutunders and turnout seats
Piano Boxes, Concords, Trays (Abbott style), and Express Waggons
Harness: Double, shifting, single, breast collar, and Concord Express, with improved "Dolly Varden" Winkers
Hampshires, £35. Cutunder and Buggy Sociables, Express and and Surveyors' Waggons, in great variety.

SHOWROOMS and FACTORY, 252, PITT-STREET.

FOR SALE, 3 Licensed CABS, 6 good Horses, and Harness. Apply to Moore and Son, 207, Oxford-street.

BAY quiet Buggy Horse, £12; Springcart Horse, £10; quiet Boy's Pony, £3. KNIGHT, Castlereagh-street.

NEW Dealer's Van, £15; Horse, Springcart, and Harness, £20; spring Van, £12. KNIGHT, Castlereagh-st.

GOOD Sociable, with brake, lamps, pole, and shafts, £40; Double Buggy and Harness, £22. KNIGHT.

NEW Tray Buggy, £21; light Single Buggy, £16; new Parcel Cart, £18; Springcart, £9. KNIGHT.

NEW Hawker's Waggon, £35; hooded Waggon and Harness, £40; 1. Wag., £15; Wag., Harness, £14. Knight.

CLARK'S BAZAAR, Established 25 years.—Livery and Let-out Stables and Carriage Hiring Establishment, Brougham-street, Woolloomooloo. Landaus, Broughams, single and double Buggies, Break (with 2 or 4 horses) to carry 13, Waggonette to carry 8 passengers. Coachmen in livery. Weddings contracted for from 1 to 10 carriages.

FOR SALE, new Springcart, £11; new Spring-van, £11; Delivery Van, £15; second-hand Van, £4. No. 70, Campbell-street.

FRESH HORSES from MAITLAND.—Stylish pair bay GELDINGS, 4 and 5, 15.2; fast tough doctor's Cob, 6, a great trotter and journey horse; trial at Parramatta. Write P. Tattersall, M.R.C.V.S., Post Office.

WANTED, to Rent a CAB by day. W. G., P. O., Glebe-road.

TEAMSTERS' WAGGONS, Express Waggons, Buggies, Spring Carts, Spring Drays, Tip Drays, Vans, &c., in Stock for SALE; also, 2 iron Carts for the removal of nightsoil; and also, 2 first-class Safeties, to be sold cheap. The trade supplied with dressed spokes and all other kinds of wheelwrights' material.
GLASSON'S
Steam Coach and Wheelwright Works, Harris-street.

Auction Sales.

CLEARING-OUT SALE.

WAGGONETTE HORSES and HARNESS.

T. COSGROVE and CO. have received instructions to sell by auction, at the stable, Abercrombie-street, Darlington, on MONDAY next, 24th instant, at 3 o'clock p.m.,
Waggonette, licensed, with right of road from Darlington to Miller's Point
14 horses, in top condition; harness, collars, barrows, and other odds and ends too numerous to particularise.

No reserve.

Fresh Country Horses.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from J. J. Robertson, Esq., Mount M'Donald, to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, on MONDAY next, 24th instant, at 12 o'clock,
Two useful upstanding horses, broken to single and double harness, in splendid condition, and suitable for omnibus, cab, or buggy.

Tattersall's Club Races.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from the Secretary of Tattersall's Club to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, on THURSDAY, December 27th, at 12 o'clock,
The right to gates, booths, Leger reserve, &c., for the above races, to be held at Randwick on New Year's Day.

HIGHLAND GATHERING, 1884.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from the Secretary of Highland Gathering Committee to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, on THURSDAY, December 27th, at 12 o'clock,
The right to booths, cake and fruit stalls, for above gathering, to be held on Association Ground on New Year's Day.

AUCTIONEERS' NOTICE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and CO. wish to inform their constituents and the public generally that in consequence of the Christmas holidays there will be NO SALE at their Bazaar on MONDAY NEXT.
Sydney, December 21, 1883.

878 STORE CATTLE.

At the Mudgee Sale Yards,

THURSDAY, 27th DECEMBER Instant.

CROSSING and COX have received instructions to sell by auction, at the
Mudgee Sale Yards,
on THURSDAY, 27th instant, at 10 o'clock,
on account of J. R. Lomax, Esq.,
476 Store Cattle, grandly bred, from Wirrah.

On account of Messrs. Evans Bros.,
402 store cattle, of the well-known Bungle Gully herd.
The above consist of fattening bullocks and cows, with steers and heifers, and will be classed and sold in lots to suit purchasers.

JANUARY 10, 1884.

Sale of
MR. WALTER DOUGLAS'
PURE-BRED STOCK.
ON THE SHOW GROUND, GOULBURN,
comprising
40 Pure-bred Shorthorn Cows and Heifers, including the celebrated Jessamines, Grand Duchesses, &c., &c., nearly all prize-takers.
100 Head Heavy Imported and Colonial Draught Mares, Yearling and Two-year-old Entire Colts, Coaching and Blood Mares.
60 Magnificent Colts and Fillies, by the noted Coaching Stallion Lord Clifton, suitable for the Indian market.
Heavy Draught Fillies.
The Celebrated Champion Clydesdale Stallion Topsman, never beaten in New South Wales or Victoria.
The Noted Coaching Stallion Lord Clifton
6 pairs Handsome Carriage Horses.

BY

FINLAY and CO., in conjunction with Messrs. B. D. Morehead and Co. (Brisbane), and Messrs Richard Gibson and Co. (Melbourne).

Catalogues now ready; obtainable on application from any of the above.

F. L. BARKER will sell by auction, at his Produce Stores, at 9.30, Hair, horns, and bones.

TRADE NOTICE.

WILKINSON, GRAVES, and LAVENDER will sell at the Municipal Yards, Homebush, on THURSDAY, 27th instant, at usual hours,
500 prime fat wethers, on account of Messrs. Macbray and Copland, per rail, from Wagga
300 prime fat wethers, on account of A. W. Walder, Esq., per rail from Albury

Also, at Ellis and Co.'s Yards, at 2.30 p.m.,
250 prime fat lambs, on account of A. W. Walder, Esq., per rail from Albury
250 prime fat lambs, on account of Mr. Burnett, per rail from Bathurst.

Preliminary Announcement.

THE MAGNIFICENT WOODSTOCK (ULLADULLA) DAIRY HERD.

Bulls, Working Bullocks, Heifers, Young Steers, Stock, Pigs, and Farm Implements, &c., &c.

WM. TATE, Auctioneer, Milton, has been favoured with instructions from the Executrix and Executors of the late W. W. Ewin, Esq., Woodstock, under provisions in the will for the division of the estate on the eldest son attaining his majority, to sell by auction, on the premises, on
TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, January 8 and 9, 1884,
The dairy herd, &c., &c., of Woodstock dairy farm.

Full particulars in future issue.

Steamer leaves I. S. N. Company's Wharf every Friday at 10 a.m., reaching Ulladulla the same night; and returns to Sydney every Monday afternoon.

Visitors can reach Ulladulla overland by railway to Moss Vale, thence by daily coach to and from Milton and Ulladulla.

SPECIAL SALE THIS DAY (SATURDAY).

INGLIS' SALE YARDS, 827, GEORGE-STREET.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, THIS DAY, Saturday, December 22, at 11 O'CLOCK SHARP,
Prime fat calves
10 coops sucking pigs
30 coops first-class poultry.

These arrived too late for yesterday's sale, and will therefore be sold this morning.

THIS DAY, Saturday, at 3 p.m.

NEWMARKET AUCTION MART,
King-street, Newtown.

Half-tester Tubular Bedstead and Bedding
Four-post Double Bedstead and Bedding
Half-tester Single ditto ditto
Large Chest Drawers, Cedar
Toilet Tables and Glasses, Washstands and Sets
Night Commodes, Child's Cot, Bedroom Ornaments
H. H. Couche, Austrian Chairs, Chiffonier
Two Couches in Cretonne, Handsome Pictures
Pier Glass, Harmonium, 7 stops
Dining Tables, Chiff. Safes, Grecian Chairs
Chinaware, Glassware, Cutlery, Cruets, &c.
Superior Kitchen Dressers, Enclosed Pine Dresser
Kitchen Tables, Chairs, Colonial Sofas, Boilers
Saucepans, Kettles, Tubs, Buckets, and Sundries.

J. I. ASPINALL is instructed to sell by public auction, as above.

XMAS
POULTRY.

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RICHARDSON and NIXON will sell at their Yards, Engine-street, Haymarket, on
MONDAY, DECEMBER 24,
at 11 o'clock sharp,
700 pairs of geese, ducks, and fowls,
in lots to suit purchasers.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24, at half-past 2 o'clock.

AT THE CORPORATION SALE YARDS, MARKET-STREET.

TATE BROTHERS will sell by auction, on account of the Manning River Farmers' Association, on MONDAY next, at half-past 2 o'clock,
Pigs and calves.
Terms, cash.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24, at 12 o'clock.

At the Grain Sale Rooms, 143, Sussex-street.

TATE BROS. will sell by auction, on account of the Manning River Farmers' Association, on MONDAY next, at 12 o'clock,
Bags maize
Coops poultry
Cases eggs
Terms, cash.
Day of sale.

CHRISTMAS HAMS. CHRISTMAS HAMS.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24, at 12 o'clock.

AT THE SALE ROOMS, 143, SUSSEX-STREET.

10 CASES HAMS.

Just Landed Ex S.S. Wakatipu, and specially selected for this Market.

TATE BROTHERS will sell by auction, on MONDAY, next, at 12 o'clock,
The above consignment, in lots to suit purchasers.
Terms, cash.

CHRISTMAS POULTRY.

SEAFORTH PROCTER will sell by auction, THIS DAY, at his Mart, 727, George-street South,
at 12 o'clock,
Turkeys, geese, ducks, fowls;
Also, hams, bacon, butter, fruit, &c.

WELLS and GREENHALGH will sell by auction, THIS DAY, at Newtown, at 7 o'clock,
Wood, posts, rails, &c.
At Darling Harbour, at 8 o'clock,
Wood, posts, rails, &c.

JOHN BRIDGE will sell by auction, at his Produce Stores, THIS DAY, at 9.30, Horns and Bones.

DENT and PERRY will sell by auction, at Newtown Station, THIS DAY, at 7 o'clock, Wood, posts, rails.

DENT and PERRY will sell by auction, at Darling Harbour, THIS DAY, at 8 o'clock, Wood, posts, rails.

ORDER OF SALE.

AT THE NEW AUCTION MART, 197, PITT-STREET.

MONDAY, 24th Dec. At 11 a.m., MAGNIFICENT SELECTION of BRIGHT BRONZES (reproductions from the principal European Museums), in Salvers, Ornaments, Tazzas, Vases, Tables, Flower Stands, &c., &c. Also, a SPECIAL SHIPMENT of ELECTRO SILVERPLATED WARE of the highest character, embracing useful and ornamental goods of every description.

FRIDAY, 28th Dec. At 11 a.m., SURPLUS STORES and IMMIGRANTS' FITTINGS, ex RIALTO, from London. Under instructions from Messrs. JOHN FRAZER and CO.

HARRIS and ACKMAN,
Auctioneers,
197, Pitt-street.

MONDAY, 24th DECEMBER, at 11 a.m.

UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION,
under instructions from the Importers,
of
A SELECTION of WORKS of ART,
REPRODUCTIONS from the
PRINCIPAL MUSEUMS of EUROPE,
comprising
MAGNIFICENT BRIGHT BRONZES,
in
ORNAMENTS, JARDINIERES, TAZZAS, GOBLETS
Richly embellished HEBE Vases, on decorated plateaus
LARGE KNOWLA EWERS, on Ebonite Bases
ELEGANT CANDELABRA, supported by Draped Moresque
WALL PLAQUES, SALVERS, BRONZE TABLES
FLOWER STANDS, of beautiful design, with enrichments
REPRODUCTIONS of Benvenuto Cellini VASES and ORNAMENTS
ANTIQUE and MEDIÆVAL OBJETS D'ART
of most beautiful and perfect Works of Art,
&c., &c., &c.

⁂ This selection is of a character to suit the Art Critic and Connoisseur in every respect, the various objects being principally reproductions from the antique of the most Classical Design, and admirably suitable for the Decoration of Halls, Drawing-rooms, Saloons, &c.

Also a
SPECIAL SHIPMENT
of
ELECTRO SILVER PLATED WARE
of the highest character,
embracing
USEFUL and ORNAMENTAL GOODS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION
suitable for the Season's Trade,
and
COMPLIMENTARY PRESENTATION.

To Ladies and Gentlemen, Art Connoisseurs, Professional Men, Silversmiths, Jewellers, Dealers, &c.

HARRIS and ACKMAN have received instructions from the IMPORTERS to arrange the above for SALE BY AUCTION, at the NEW AUCTION MART, 197, PITT-STREET, on MONDAY NEXT, 24th December, at 11 o'clock,

CATALOGUES are now ready, and may be obtained at the Rooms.

NO RESERVE.
TERMS AT SALE.

ON VIEW THIS DAY.

THE NEW AUCTION MART, 197, PITT-STREET.

FRIDAY, 28th DECEMBER, at 11 a.m.

FOR SALE BY AUCTION.

Under instructions from
Messrs. JOHN FRAZER and CO.,
as agents,
the whole of the
SURPLUS STORES and IMMIGRANT FITTINGS,
ex RIALTO, from London,
consisting of
TEAS, COFFEE, SUGARS, CONDENSED MILK
Rice, Molasses, Arrowroot, Sago
MEAL, BARLEY, SPLIT PEAS, MALT
Pepper, Mustard, Vinegar, Pickles, Salt
RAISINS, CURRANTS, CONDENSED EGGS
Desiccated Soups, Onions, Carrots
BREAD, FLOUR, CHEESE, BUTTER
Preserved Potatoes, Suet, Mutton Broth
Soap, Limejuice, Disinfecting Powders, Lime
BEEF, PORK, MUTTON, in Tins and Barrels
IRON TANKS, UTENSILS, LANTERNS, &c.
LARGE MEDICINE CHEST and contents
BRANDY, PORT, SHERRY, GENEVA, ALE, PORTER, &c., &c.

⁂ The WHOLE of the above Stores were supplied by the well-known providores, Messrs. LOW, RUCKVALE, and CO., of LONDON.

To Ship Chandlers, Grocers, Tea Dealers, Providores, Caterers, Shippers, Dealers, &c.

HARRIS and ACKMAN, have received instructions from Messrs. JOHN FRAZER and CO. to SELL the above BY AUCTION, at the NEW AUCTION MART, No. 197, PITT-STREET, FRIDAY, 28th DECEMBER, at 11 o'clock.

NO RESERVE.
TERMS AT SALE.

THE SYDNEY MAIL.
THE CHRISTMAS NUMBER,
FULL OF PICTURES,
and with COLOURED SUPPLEMENT,
is now on sale.
Price Sixpence.

IMPERATIVE SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION,
IN THE INSOLVENT ESTATE OF
HARRISON WADDINGTON,
on
FRIDAY, 28th December, at 11 a.m.,
at the premises, SURBITON VILLA, OLD SOUTH HEAD-ROAD, WAVERLEY,
NEXT TO RAVENSWOOD, THE RESIDENCE OF
JAMES HART, Esq.,
of the
SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, GLASS, CHINA
FLOORCLOTH, LUSTRES, PIER-GLASS, WALNUT CHIFFONIER
WALNUT CHIFFONIER, WHATNOT, DRAWING-ROOM SUITE, covered in green HONEYCOMB SILK
WALNUT CENTRE TABLE
WALNUT PIANOFORTE, by AUCHER, CARPETS and RUGS
VASES and ORNAMENTS, MAHOGANY SIDEBOARD
DINING TABLE, KEROSENE LAMPS, LEATHER DINING-ROOM SUITE
BOOKCASE, FENDER and FIRE-IRONS
ENGRAVINGS, CHESTS DRAWERS, BEDSTEADS
MAHOGANY TOILET TABLE AND WASHSTAND
WALNUT DAVENPORT TOILET SERVICES
KITCHEN AND LAUNDRY UTENSILS, LAWN MOWER
And other Household Requisites; also, a COW.

TO PRIVATE PURCHASERS, FURNITURE WAREHOUSEMEN, COMMISSION AGENTS, and GENERAL DEALERS.

BRADLEY, NEWTON, and LAMB have received instructions from Lancelot T. Lloyd, Esq., official assignee in the Insolvent Estate of HARRISON WADDINGTON, to sell by auction, at the premises, SURBITON VILLA, OLD SOUTH HEAD-ROAD, WAVERLEY, on Friday, 28th December, at 11 a.m.,
THE SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS; also, a COW.

WEDNESDAY, January 9, at the City Mart,
at 3 o'clock.

OREGON TIMBER.

The Entire Cargo of the
ST. LAWRENCE,
comprising
783,091 FEET OREGON.

By order of the Consignees.

The Cargo has been landed, and can be inspected by intending buyers at Pyrmont Wharf.

FRASER and CO. will sell by auction, as above,
The entire cargo of Oregon lumber, ex ST. LAWRENCE.

CATALOGUES WILL BE ISSUED.

FRIDAY, January 4, at the City Mart,
at 3 o'clock.

CLEARANCE SALE OF TIMBER.

REDWOOD
KAURI SHELVING, FLITCHES
BALTIC FLOORING, LINING

By order of Mr. J. C. ELLIS.

FRASER and CO. will sell by auction, as above,
Balances and shipments of timber, as per catalogue.

To Families and Gentlemen, Country Visitors, and Connoisseurs in Works of Art.

ATTEND THE SALE AT POST OFFICE ROOMS.
THIS DAY, Saturday, at 10.30 o'clock.
EXTRAORDINARY CHRISTMAS AUCTION SALE.
REAL BRONZE FIGURES, VASES, ORNAMENTS.
Handsome Bronze Mantel CLOCKS, small Carved Wood Cabinets with Locks and Keys, Dressed DOLLS, FLOWER STANDS in Glass and Majolica, CIGAR CASES, Gold and Silver WATCHES, Carriage Clocks and Timepieces in Nickel and Gilt Metal, ALBERT CHAINS, NECKLETS, CHARMS, LOCKETS, Opera Glasses, and a large variety of goods suitable for

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS, &c., &c.

THE POST OFFICE AGENCY and AUCTION COMPANY, 114, Pitt-street, opposite Post Office, will hold an EXTRAORDINARY SALE by auction, at their central Rooms, 114, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Saturday, December 22, 1883, at half-past 10 o'clock,
ENTIRELY UNRESERVED,
of the above-mentioned
VERY CHOICE NEW GOODS,
suitable for Christmas Presents.

The whole to be sold
ENTIRELY WITHOUT RESERVE.

THIS DAY, 22nd Instant, at 11 o'clock.

Insolvent Estate of ADOLPH N. NEILSON.

Stock-in-trade of a Carpenter.
Shop Fittings, Benches, &c.

CADOGAN and CRANE (successors to H. Vaughan) have received instructions from the Official Assignee to sell by auction, on the premises, No. 28, Queen-street, Woollahra,
The above.

Without reserve.

THIS DAY, 22nd instant,
at 11 o'clock.

Under Bill of Sale.

Office Table, Desks, Letter Press
Chairs, Carpet, Office Fittings.

CADOGAN and CRANE (successor to H. Vaughan) have received instructions to sell by auction, on the premises, No. 12, Bridge-street,
The above. Without reserve.

AUCTIONEERS' NOTICE.

KELLETT and ALFORD beg to advise their friends and constituents that they are now removing to their new CENTRAL and SPACIOUS PREMISES, 14, Barrack-st., opp. Savings Bank, consequently they will hold no further Auction Sales this year.

From the beginning of the new year all Sales will be conducted at the New Rooms, where ample space will be available for every class of merchandise.

K. and A. would take this opportunity of thanking all their friends who have aided in making their business a success so far, and wish them all a happy Christmas and successful New Year.

THIS DAY, Saturday, at 3 O'CLOCK.
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS.

T. PHILLIPS will sell by auction, on the premises, No. 12, St. John-street, near Camden College, Cook's River-road, THIS DAY, Saturday, at 3 o'clock,
WALNUT SUITE in CRETONNE, CHIFFONIER
CENTRE, DINING, and OTHER TABLES
CARPETS, RUGS, FENDERS, FIREIRONS
CUTLERY, E. P. WARE, CLOCK, VASES, and ORNAMENTS
4-POST and OTHER BEDSTEADS, BEDDING
Cedar Chest of Drawers, Washstands, D. Tables
Toilet Glasses, sets of Chairs
Kitchen Utensils, Safe, Table, &c.
NO RESERVE. TERMS, CASH.
Auction Offices, 97, King-street, Newtown.

THIS DAY, Saturday, 22nd, at 2 p.m.

No. 6, Palmerston-terrace, Glebe Point-road.

TO FURNITURE BUYERS, PARTIES ABOUT FURNISHING, PRIVATE BUYERS, AND OTHERS.

HAINS and PHILLIPS have been favoured with instructions to sell by public auction, at the above address, THIS DAY, Saturday, at 2 p.m.,
Superior household furniture and effects, comprising,—
Brilliant-toned pianoforte, double action, overstrung, latest improvements
Green rep drawing-room suite, marble-top sideboards
Black-and-gold frame pier glass, loo tables, dining table (12ft), Austrian chairs, couches
Chest drawers, washstands and wares, handsome brass-mounted half-tester bedsteads, and bedding (complete), 3½ft., 3ft., and 3ft. 6in. tester bedsteads and bedding, vases, Brussels carpets, oilcloth, cornice and curtains, cutlery
Kitchen and laundry utensils.

No reserve.

THIS DAY, SATURDAY, at 10 o'clock.
Household FURNITURE and EFFECTS, consisting of Horsehair Suite, Australian Chairs, Pier Glasses, Carpet, Walnut and Loo Tables, Cheffoniers, Safes, Half-tester and Four-post Bedsteads and Bedding, Washstands and Sets, Crockery, Kitchen Utensils, &c.

H. L. DUNN and SON will sell by auction, at their rooms, 274, Pitt-st. THIS DAY, at 10 o'clock, the above.

THIS DAY, Saturday, at 2.30 p.m.

P. M. SERS and CO. will hold a Special Sale of Fancy Goods, consisting of flying birds, dancing dolls, bon-bons, albums, photo frames, and a miscellaneous collection of articles, suitable for Xmas presents.
Note the Address—
229, GEORGE-STREET NORTH.
Absolutely without Reserve—Terms, cash.

AUCTIONEER'S SPECIAL NOTICE.

N. HERMAN returns his sincere thanks to his customers and friends who have hitherto extended to him their liberal support, and takes this opportunity of wishing them all a
MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Last Clothing Sale this year, entirely unreserved.

N. HERMAN will sell by public auction, at his Rooms, 152, Pitt-street, next to Evening News Office, on MONDAY, December 24, at 11 sharp, the following:—
65 WORSTED SUITS
174 ditto PAGETS
200 TROUSERS and VESTS
200 TROUSERS only
34 dozen Flannel Shirts
100 ditto Assorted Hats
85 Men's TWEED SUITS
Large consignments Hosiery
Ditto ditto Handkerchiefs
PRINTS, Diapers, Hollands
Serges, Cashmeres, Italian Cloths, Alpacas, Lustres
75 Worsted Frock Coats
200 Silk and Tweed Vests.
Every line positively unreserved. Terms at sale.

SALE,
MONDAY next, December 24.

On the Premises, 334, Cleveland-street, Surry Hills.

To Furniture Dealers, Private Buyers, and Others.

Drawing-room Suite in blue rep, Brussels Carpets, Pier Glasses, Whatnot, Bronze Figures, Oil Paintings, Horsehair Suite, Fenders and Irons, Plated Tea and Coffee Services, Plated-ware, Sideboard and China, Tea and Coffee Services, Curtains, Oilcloth, Stair Carpet and Rods, Single and Double Iron Bedsteads, Bed and Bedding, Plateglass, Wardrobe, Bed and Table Linen, Chest Drawers, Marble-top Washstands, Looking Glasses, Cutlery, Kitchen Utensils, &c., &c.

S. S. JOEL has received instructions to sell by public auction, on MONDAY next, at 11 o'clock, on the Premises as above.
The whole of the superior household furniture and effects.
Office, 110, Elizabeth-street.

UNDER BILL OF SALE.

ANDREW ALLAN will sell by auction, on the Premises, No. 212, Old South Head-road, Paddington, opposite the Barracks, on MONDAY, at 11 o'clock.
The FURNITURE and EFFECTS, comprising pier glasses, sideboard, tables and chairs, hair-covered couches and chairs, dining-room furniture, double and single bedsteads, washstands, toilet glasses, kitchen utensils, sundries.
Office—148, King-street.

THIS DAY, at 11 a.m.
FURNITURE and EFFECTS, Piano, Set of Avery's Scales
10 Allotments of LAND, situated at Springside; must be sold; 22 feet frontage x 91 feet depth.

SAUNDERS and CO. will sell the above by auction, at Rooms, corner of George and Harris streets, without reserve.

THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
at 172, DOWLING-STREET, off William-street.
SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and Effects, comprising Couch, Austrian Chairs, Sideboard, Tables, Pier Glass, Oleographs, TUBULAR and OTHER BEDSTEADS, Spring and Hair Mattresses, Chest Drawers, Washstand and Ware, Toilet Tables and Glasses, Kitchen Utensils, &c.

LAVERACK and CO. are instructed by the owner, who is leaving the colony, to sell by auction, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock.
The whole of his furniture, &c.
Terms, cash. No reserve.

JANUARY 2nd, 1884.

THE FIRST SALE OF
SEASON'S DRAPERY
and
CLOTHING.

JAMES RODD will hold his next sale by auction of the above, at the Rooms, 2, Wynyard-street, on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd of January, at 11 o'clock.

CROWN LAND SALE.

LIVERPOOL.

59 TOWN LOTS,
adjoining west side of Railway Line, between Station and Great Southern-road, and from ¼ to ½ mile from Station.

ON THE GROUND,

SATURDAY, 19th January, 1884,
at 3 p.m.

Streets Cleared and Marked.

Upset price, £25 per acre.

TERMS—
25 per cent cash deposit; balance in 3 months.

Lithographs (1s each) and full particulars at the Auction Branch, Department of Lands, Sydney; and at the Police Office Liverpool.

CROWN LANDS SALE

KATOOMBA.

SATURDAY, 2nd February, 1884, at 1.30 p.m.

55 Town Lots, from 2 roods to 1 acre; upset price, £25 per acre.
12 Suburban Lots, from 5 acres to 21 acres; upset price, £8 per acre.

Trains leaving Sydney at 7 and 9 a.m. will be in time for sale. Return train from Katoomba in time to catch 5.35 p.m. excursion train from Lawson.

Terms—25 per cent. cash deposit; balance within three months. Lithographs (1s each) and full particulars at the Auction Branch, Department of Lands, Sydney, and at the Crown Lands Office, Lithgow.

J. S. FARNELL.

Department of Lands, Sydney,
17th December, 1883.

SQUATTING PROPERTY.

District of
LIVERPOOL PLAINS.

Preliminary Advertisement.

MILLER'S CREEK.

Consisting of
1226 Acres FREEHOLD LAND
8176 ditto, CONDITIONALLY PURCHASED and CERTIFICATED
About 6000 ditto, Pre-Leases
About 6736 ditto, Leasehold
Also,
Large Area of Reserves.

F. L. BARKER has received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION,
Early in FEBRUARY NEXT,
The above PROPERTY,
together with
16,000 SHEEP (more or less).

Special attention is directed to this COMPACT and HIGHLY-IMPROVED SQUATTAGE, which adjoins the A. A. Company's well-known WARRAH ESTATE.

The whole run consists of fine BASALTIC country, with BLACK SOIL FLATS and OPEN BOX RIDGES, well grassed and with plenty of herbage in all ordinary seasons, and is PERMANENTLY WATERED by MILLER'S, JACK'S, and WARRAH CREEKS, also by numerous SPRINGS.

It is subdivided into SEVENTEEN (17) paddocks, with SIXTY-TWO (62) miles of FENCING, some 5 and 6 wire, with battens, some top-rail and 5-wire, and some 2 rails and 3-wire, all of a SUBSTANTIAL character.

The SHEEP are well bred (chiefly from GOONGO GOONGO ewes, by BRINDLEY PARK RAMS), and are strong and healthy. They consist of—

EWES, aged	3557
Ditto, 3 to 5 years	1394
Ditto, 2 years	1061
Ditto, 1 year	1244
WETHERS, 3 years and over ...	1053
Ditto, 2 years	868
Ditto, 1 year	1720
WEANERS	3055
RAMS	206

The WOOL from 1882 clip sold in London at last August sales AVERAGED 11d to 12d per pound.

The WOOLSHED has accommodation for 14 shearers, and there are also PRESS and WOOL ROOMS and SHEARERS' HUTS adjoining.

Several thousand acres of the property are RINGBARKED.

The IMPROVEMENTS comprise DWELLING-HOUSE of 8 ROOMS, with WIDE VERANDAH; large building for store, &c., &c.; 5-ROOMED COTTAGE at out station on Jack's Creek, and 3 OTHER COTTAGES; also HORSE and MILKING YARDS, &c.

For further particulars apply to the AUCTIONEER, 86, Pitt-street, Sydney.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25, 1884.
MURRAY DOWNS ESTATE.
In consequence of the death of Mr. S. H. Officer.

ETTERSHANK, EAGLESTONE, and MANN have been favoured with instructions from Mr. C. M. Officer and the executors of the late Mr. S. H. Officer to OFFER for SALE by AUCTION, at Menzies' Hotel, Bourke-street West, Melbourne, on FRIDAY, 25th January, 1884, at 3 p.m.,
MURRAY DOWNS ESTATE,
situate in the Murrumbidgee district of New South Wales, near Swan-hill, containing 77,725 acres and 3 roods of purchased land, and about 20,000 acres of Crown lands, together with about
46,532 first-class sheep
115 horses, light and heavy harness and station hacks
214 head of cattle, including the pedigreed bulls Jessamine's Oxford and Jessica's Earl, working bullocks, milking herd, &c.

A very important feature of this property is the flooded land on the Murray frontage, whereby about 18,000 acres are naturally irrigated, all of which is available for sheep from six to nine months in the year. The remainder of the country consists of ringed box timber, open plains, and sandhills. All the box on the purchased land has been ringed with the exception of belts and clumps for shelter, and about 8500 acres of scrub have been cleared.

The improvements are very complete, and include splendid homestead of 11 rooms, with detached kitchen, servant's rooms, store, workshop, dairy, and large underground tank, all of brick; garden, well stocked with oranges and every description of fruit trees; also, manager's residence of six rooms, with detached kitchen, extensive stable accommodation, woolshed for 28 shearers, wool-room, large sheep-room, drafting yards for 20,000 sheep, cattle and horse yards, &c. The plant is an extensive one, and includes steam-engine, horse and bullock waggons, and everything requisite for working the property to the best advantage.

The run is divided into 34 paddocks, exclusive of plantation enclosures and divisions on ostrich farm, and the fencing, with the exception of about 20 miles of brush, is all five and six wires, a large proportion of which has been quite recently erected. The property is splendidly watered, having a frontage of 25 miles to the Wakool on the north, and 40 miles to the Murray on the south. The Merran Creek running through the middle of the run is also permanent, besides the Box, Coonool, and other creeks which intersect the property, and run every year, thus securing an abundant supply of water in any season, also Lake Toolim, at the woolshed, rendered permanent by a cutting from the Murray. The sheep have been improved from time to time by the introduction of Ercildoune and other blood, and have been heavily culled every season by Mr. Denby Hall. The ewes are always in good request, and command high rates; and the fat sheep invariably realise top prices in the Melbourne market.

The cattle are very well bred, including some pedigreed animals; and would form a fine nucleus for a large herd, and the horses, particularly the draught stock, are very valuable.

The agents have pleasure in drawing the attention of capitalists to this great estate.

For further particulars and plans apply to Ettershank, Eaglestone, and Mann, 43, Queen-street, Melbourne.

DON'T READ THIS. Where are you going on Boxing Day? Don't know. Well, I am going to a LAND SALE at Cabramatta Railway Station; 300 Allotments, 66 x 264 each, will be sold by auction, at 3 p.m. Free tickets, lunch, and deeds; train leaves at 1 sharp. H. MURPHY, Auctioneer. Well, we will go too. Tell your friends.

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales.

Sheriff's Office, Sydney, December 20, 1883.

TOOHEY AND ANOTHER v. JOHN NUGENT.

ON SATURDAY, the twenty-second day of December, at noon, unless the Writ of Fieri Facias herein be previously satisfied, the Sheriff will cause to be sold by public auction, at the defendant's residence, Prospect,
Household furniture, stock-in-trade of a publican.
Also,
The right, title, and interest of John Nugent, the defendant herein, of, in, and to the license of the Reservoir Hotel, Prospect.
Terms, cash.
CHARLES COWPER, Sheriff.
F. B. FRESHILL, Plaintiff's Attorney, Elizabeth-street.

In the Metropolitan and Hunter District Court,
holden at Sydney.

No. of Plaint, 667 of 1883.
No. of Warrant, 147 of 1883.

BETWEEN ISAAC HIMMELHOCH, PLAINTIFF, AND SEDGWICK S. COWPER, DEFENDANT.

ON SATURDAY, the fifth day of January next, at noon, at the Courthouse, Macquarie-street, Sydney, pursuant to a Writ of Fieri Facias issued in this cause (unless the same be previously satisfied), the Registrar will sell by public auction,
All the right, title, and interest (if any) of the abovenamed Sedgwick S. Cowper of, in, and to all that piece or allotment of land, containing by admeasurement two roods, situate in the town of Gosford, parish of Gosford, county of Northumberland, allotment number one of section number seven, commencing at the intersection of Georgiana-terrace with Holden-street, bearing north two chains and fifty links, on the north by the southern boundary of allotment number two bearing bounded on the east by part of Holden-street, bearing west two chains, on the west by part of the eastern boundary of allotment number twenty bearing south two chains and fifty links, and on the south by part of Georgiana-terrace bearing east two chains to Holden-street, be the same several dimensions a little more or less, or so much thereof as the said Sedgwick Spelman Cowper is seized of or entitled to, or which he can either at law or in Equity assign or dispose of.
Dated this eighteenth day of December, A.D. 1883.
J. P. LUCAS, Registrar.
JOHN HORATIO CLAYTON, Plaintiff's Attorney, 13 [illegible], Sydney.

Auction Sales.

FIRST GREAT SALE of the YEAR
1884.

SUBDIVISION OF A LARGE BLOCK OF RICH
AGRICULTURAL and BUILDING LAND
on the
GREAT SOUTHERN RAILWAY,
lying midway between the
MANUFACTURING TOWN OF LIVERPOOL
and the
AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT
of
CAMPBELLTOWN,
and adjoining the RAILWAY STATION
at INGLEBURN,
20 Miles from SYDNEY.

A portion of this large Block of Land, about acres in extent, has been carefully laid out into
ALLOTMENTS of ABOUT HALF-AN-ACRE EACH,
forming the
TOWNSHIP OF INGLEBURN,
while the adjoining land has been subdivided into
VILLA SITES
and LARGE SUBURBAN AREAS,
and will be offered for sale by public auction,
ON THE GROUND,
on SATURDAY AFTERNOON, the
5th of JANUARY, 1884,
upon Liberal Terms.
TITLE, UNQUESTIONABLE.
For full particulars apply to Messrs. NORTON, SMITH, WESTGARTH, and SANDERS, of Spring-street, Sydney, solicitors to the Estate.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions from the Hon. S. A. JOSEPH (as Attorney for the proprietors) to sell by public auction, on the ground, on
SATURDAY AFTERNOON,
the 5th of JANUARY, 1884,
at 2 o'clock,
The above choice and very accessible portion of land, subdivided as above mentioned.

_ Special attention is directed to the liberal manner in which the roads on the subdivision of the estate have been laid out, the principal thoroughfares being 99 feet wide, and all the streets 66 feet each. The
VILLA SITES
and
SUBURBAN AREAS
have been so arranged that the purchaser of one lot may take any number of adjoining ones, and thus embrace an area sufficient for his requirements without its being intersected by streets and lanes.

TERMS.—10 per cent. cash deposit; a further payment of 15 per cent. cash within three months from day of sale, without interest; and the balance may be represented by promissory notes at 1, 2, and 3 years' date from the day of sale, carrying interest at the rate of 6 per centum per annum.

Purchasers of parcels of £500 worth and upwards will be allowed the option of two-thirds of their purchase money to remain on mortgage for a period of 5 years, bearing interest at 6 per centum per annum, payable half-yearly, upon a notice to that effect being given to the vendor's solicitors within 3 months of the day of sale.

A plan of the property may be inspected at the Rooms, where LITHOGRAPHS are now obtainable.

A SPECIAL TRAIN, at nominal fares for the double journey, will convey intending purchasers and their friends to the sale, where refreshments will be provided.

Messrs. Atchison and Schleicher, of Pitt-street, surveyors to the estate.

To Builders, Speculators, Private Gentlemen, and the Public generally.

NOTICE.

GRAND SUBDIVISION
into
BUILDING ALLOTMENTS
of that
EXTENSIVE and VALUABLE
BLOCK OF LAND,
containing upwards of
THIRTEEN ACRES,
being portion of the
REDFERN ESTATE.
Bounded on its four sides by the following leading thoroughfares, viz.:—
CLEVELAND-STREET
ELIZABETH-STREET
CASTLEREAGH-STREET
and REDFERN-STREET.

TITLE: TORRENS'.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions from the PROPRIETORS to SELL by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on
MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 1884,
at 11 o'clock,
The above extensive block of property, only separated from the city by Cleveland-street.

This large and choice block of land has recently been levelled at considerable expense, and is now ready for building purposes, having been subdivided into
BUILDING ALLOTMENTS,
of good depths, with frontages to
CLEVELAND-STREET
ELIZABETH-STREET
REDFERN-STREET
CASTLEREAGH-STREET,
and
GREAT BUCKINGHAM-STREET.

Attention is called to the fact that the Southern and adjoining block of this estate, about 13 acres in extent, lying between Redfern-street and the Mount Lachlan property, has recently been PURCHASED by the GOVERNMENT as a PARK for PUBLIC RECREATION, a purpose for which it is eminently adapted on account of the richness of its soil and abundant water supply; so that a few short months, instead of years, will only be required to transform the present dreary waste into a garden rich in lawns, plants, and flowering shrubs.

The subdivision of this valuable property—lying on the city boundary—has been carefully considered, due regard having been paid to the requirements of the neighbourhood both in the widths and depths of the allotments; and the following are some of the particulars relating to the several frontages to the respective streets and average depths.

CLEVELAND-STREET.
This portion of the Estate extends from Elizabeth-street on the east to Castlereagh-street on the West, and is divided midway by
GREAT BUCKINGHAM-STREET,
which cuts the estate into two nearly EQUAL portions.
CLEVELAND-STREET
is subdivided into
18 ALLOTMENTS,
having frontages ranging from 23 feet 2 inches to 25 feet, with an average depth of 98½ feet, extending to a lane 20 feet wide.

ELIZABETH-STREET
frontage is subdivided into
31 ALLOTMENTS,
each 18 feet wide, by a depth of 98½ feet, extending to a 20 feet lane.

CASTLEREAGH-STREET
frontage is subdivided into
31 ALLOTMENTS,
each 16 feet wide, by depths ranging from 101 feet 11 inches to [illegible], extending to a lane 20 feet wide.
The TRAMWAY passes along the whole of this frontage on its way to BOTANY.

GREAT BUCKINGHAM-STREET,
66 feet wide, is subdivided into
108 ALLOTMENTS.
On the east, and a like number on the west side. They are all 16 feet in width, and 98 feet 11½ inches in depth. The allotments on both sides extending back to lanes 20 feet wide.

REDFERN-STREET
is subdivided into 2 sections, each containing
12 ALLOTMENTS,
the whole number having frontages to the land, embracing an area of 13 acres lately purchased by the Government for a
PUBLIC PARK.

The corner lots have frontages as follows, viz., two of 19 feet and two of 18 feet 11 inches each, the remaining 20 lots having frontages of 16 feet each; the depth of the whole of these allotments is 88 feet 11 inches, running back to a lane 20 feet wide.

It must be borne in mind that the four leading thoroughfares surrounding this valuable estate are all well made, and in as good order as any of the principal streets of the
CITY OF SYDNEY,
and that the allotments fronting them are all levelled, and fit at once for the builder's hand.

Plan on view at the Rooms.

LITHOGRAPHS now ready.

TERMS VERY LIBERAL, viz., 10 per cent. cash deposit, a further cash payment of 15 per cent. in three months without interest, and the balance may remain on mortgage for five years, bearing interest at the rate of 6 per centum per annum, payable half-yearly.

Messrs. NORTON, SMITH, WESTGARTH, and SANDERS, Spring-street, Solicitors to the Estate.
Messrs. ATCHISON and SCHLEICHER, Surveyors.

In the ESTATE of the Late Mr. WAITE.

PROSPECT VALLEY FARM,
MITTAGONG,
on the North Slope
of
MITTAGONG RANGE.
AREA 420 ACRES.
About four miles south-east of the Mittagong Railway Station, and let till 11th April, 1884, to Mr. D. Sheil.
The soil is rich and fertile, and of the famous trap formation.

The improvements comprise a weatherboard cottage of 4 rooms, with kitchen and storeroom, stable with granary over, and one large shed.
About 100 acres are cleared, 60 acres of which are under crop, 6 cultivation paddocks, one bush paddock, one large orchard and two small ones.
The farm is well watered by a running stream that passes through it.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on
FRIDAY, 11th JANUARY, 1884,
at 11 o'clock,
The above choice FARM and Homestead at MITTAGONG, only four miles from the RAILWAY STATION.
Mr. [illegible], of the Hotel at Nattai, will take parties over to view the Farm.

Terms at sale.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

1st. [illegible].—Brick-built RESIDENCE in QUARRY-STREET, [illegible] side, a few feet west of CROWN-STREET, and close to [illegible], along which omnibuses run. Leasehold, 80 years from 1st March, 1879, at £40 per annum.
2nd. [illegible]—PARK-TERRACE, SIX HOUSES at the corner of [illegible] and CAMPBELL STREETS. Leasehold, 38 years to come; ground rent, £30 per annum.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 11th January, at 11 o'clock,
The above properties, full particulars of which will shortly be published.
A. S. [illegible], Esq., George-street, is solicitor of the mortgagee.

REDMYRE BOULEVARD,
one of the prettiest positions in this favourite railway suburb, very convenient to the platform.

ATTRACTIVE VILLA RESIDENCE and grounds, with stabling at rear, situated on the BOULEVARD, at the corner of PARNELL-STREET, at present occupied by W. VON DER HEYDE, Esq., and nearly opposite the residence of Randolph Nott, Esq., and others.

It is spacious and comfortable as a family residence, and worthy the attention of those seeking a good, positioned home, with high-class surrounding properties.

TORRENS' TITLE.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 11th January, at 11 o'clock,
The above excellent property at Redmyre.

TERMS AT SALE.

Full particulars will be published.

CORNER BLOCK, MARRICKVILLE.

FRONTAGE to SYDENHAM-ROAD, 113 feet, and 225 feet to ALBERT-STREET, together with the brick BUILDINGS thereon now in course of erection designed for a SHOP, and two Dwelling-houses adjoining.
A capital position in this advancing handy suburb, very convenient to the tramway.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 18th JANUARY, at 11 o'clock.
The above good corner, a chance for speculators or investors, as buildings are in part up.
Terms at sale.

BROOKER'S FARM, WOLLONGONG,
at the celebrated FAIRY MEADOW, and being some of the richest land in this DAIRY DISTRICT, known as the garden of the colony. The area is 75 acres, facing Balgownie-street and side roadway, adjoining lands of Messrs. Osborne and MacCabe, and near Angel's. It is undulating country, abundantly watered by creeks, and has been a successful dairy establishment. About 8½ miles from Wollongong North, and ¾ of a mile from railway line. The improvements are varied, comprising Cottage, Gardens, and Orchard, part in cultivation, about 8 acres are shelter bush.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pittstreet, Sydney, on FRIDAY, 18th January, at 11 o'clock,
The above freehold dairy farm, near Wollongong.

FULLER'S ESTATE.

Having a Large Frontage
to the
LANE COVE-ROAD,
beyond the
GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL,
at the
Corner of Mowbray-road, Chatswood.

SUBDIVISION SALE
of
FORTY ACRES,
in
QUARTER to HALF-ACRE BLOCKS.

ON THE GROUND,
at 3 o'clock.

SATURDAY, 19th JANUARY NEXT.

On Liberal Terms.

The TRAM from NORTH SHORE to PIERCE'S CORNER will pass close to this Estate.

LITHOS. in Course of Preparation.

Further Particulars in a Future Advertisement.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH.

SOUTH KINGSTON, NEWTOWN.

THE RESIDUE OF THE ASHLEY ESTATE,
comprising the Paddock surrounding the former Residence of
Henry Phillips, Esq.,
SUBDIVIDED
into
VILLA SITES
of
CONVENIENT FRONTAGES
to
LOWDON-STREET,
CHARLES-STREET,
AUGUSTUS-STREET,
with capital depths extending back to a lane
20 feet wide,
including
SEVERAL GOOD CORNERS.

TITLE, TORRENS' ACT.

SALE ON THE GROUND,
SATURDAY, 19th JANUARY, 1884,
at 3 o'clock.

TERMS, LIBERAL.

This is situated between the Railway line and Enmore-road, and in an established popular and prettily improved suburb, only a couple of minutes' walk from
NEWTOWN RAILWAY STATION,
and less from the tram terminus at Enmore.

LITHOS. will be announced.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH.

CORNER GRAND SITES, KOGARAH.
Part of Georgetown, about 300 yards from Tom Ugly's Point, and about half a mile from HURSTVILLE Station.
8a. 0r. 11p. fronting South, Castle, and Kogarah streets
2a. 3r. 28p. fronting South, East, and Silver streets.
THE VIEWS are very extensive, and the position is represented to be one of the prettiest for many miles around Sydney.
TO SPECULATORS AND RESIDENCE SEEKERS
these lands in parish of St. George, noted for its beauty and healthiness are recommended.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pittstreet, on FRIDAY, 25th JANUARY, at 11 o'clock.
The above-described. Plans on view.

HUNTER'S HILL.

AUCTION SALE EARLY in JANUARY, 1884,
of
the prettily-situated properties of
H. C. BROOKES, Esq.,
comprising
WALSHALE VILLA and Grounds, fronting LANE COVE RIVER, next the residence of Charles D'Apice, Esq.
CHOICE BUILDING SITES, fronting DRUMMOYNE and other established streets in this picturesque marine suburb.

PLAN on view at the Rooms.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH.

EARLY IN FEBRUARY.

NORTH SHORE SUBDIVISION,
10 ACRES, being portion of Roberts's celebrated Grant
will be prepared for Auction Sale
ON THE GROUND.

SURVEY now proceeding, and LITHOGRAPHS will be duly announced for issue.
DATE TO BE NAMED,
and
TERMS WILL BE VERY LIBERAL.

It is close to the Military-road, along which the
TRAMWAY IS TO PASS
from Milson's Point to the Fortifications.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH.

THIS DAY. THIS DAY.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.
CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

ROMANTIC CASES OF COURTSHIP
during the
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
at
COOGEE PARK.
COOGEE PARK.

In order to give persons of moderate means the opportunity of securing very choice allotments whereon they can erect premises suitable for a new sphere of activity, and where they can enjoy all the comforts obtainable in the suburbs of this great city, the vendors have decided to make exceptional liberal terms, viz., 15 per cent. deposit, and the balance in 36 monthly payments. This will place the land within the reach of all Single Men in search of a suitable place for the one who is to adorn and make his home happy, and Married Men with large families desirous of saving the doctor's expenses and obtaining a change for health or convenience sake. Speculators can also make sure of doubling the money invested in a short space of time.
COOGEE is making rapid strides, and will continue to do so for years to come. Now is the time for business men and others to look forward and purchase at the moderate price at which ground can be obtained in this favourite locality. The Coogee Park Estate, so called in consequence of its close proximity to the Government Recreation Reserve, is close to the Tram Terminus.

COOGEE PARK ESTATE.

200 CHOICE ALLOTMENTS in this POPULAR SUBURB,
TO BE SOLD ON THE GROUND,
THIS DAY, December 22, 1883.

Coogee Park, the Healthy Suburb.
Coogee Park, and Wide Streets.
Coogee Park, and Choice Water Frontages.
Coogee Park, and Delightful Reserves.
Coogee Park, and Choice Villa and Business Sites.
Coogee Park, and Tram to the Door.
Coogee Park, the Favourite Recreation Suburb.
Coogee Park, and Very Easy Terms.
Coogee Park, and Torrens' Title.
Coogee Park, and Good Investment.
Coogee Park, and Special Trams.
Coogee Park, and No Reserve.

T. R. SMITH, CHAPMAN, and SMITH have received instructions to sell by auction, on the ground, THIS DAY, SATURDAY, December 22, at 3 o'clock,
200 very choice business and villa sites in the highly popular and healthy suburb of Coogee.

Terms—15 per cent. deposit, balance in 36 monthly payments, bearing interest at 6 per cent.
Solicitor for the Vendor, J. SHEPHERD, Esq., Pitt-street.

Plans and Free Tickets at 458, George-street.

AUCTIONEERS' NOTICE.
Melbourne, Melbourne, Melbourne.
Established 1866.
G. D. LANGRIDGE and SON,
42, Collins-street West, Melbourne, 64, Smith-street, Collingwood.
AUCTIONEERS,
House, Land, Estate, and General Intercolonial and International Agents.

Properties managed for clients who are in the neighbouring colonies and abroad.
Constant and ready sales of all classes of freeholds, &c.
Prompt settlements of accounts effected.
Full and complete lists of properties for sale sent post free to any address each month.
Rents collected, mortgages effected.
Estates of deceased persons and others attended to, disposed of, or managed for friends or relatives.
Monthly accounts rendered.

BOXING DAY.—Land SALE at LITTLE COOGEE.
Call for Litho. Thos. O'Toole, 112, Pitt-street.

COOGEE PARK Sale THIS DAY. Trams at 1.30 and 2 p.m. SMITH, CHAPMAN, and SMITH.

ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23, 1884.

ABSOLUTE SALE.

THE OLD GRAFTON WHARF ESTATE,
SUSSEX-STREET, close to GRAFTON WHARF.
That VACANT BLOCK of CITY LAND, situated between the SYDNEY FLOUR MILLS and WAKEFIELD'S ROYAL STANDARD HOTEL, having the following frontages:—
55 FEET 6 INCHES to SUSSEX-STREET
50 FEET to NAPOLEON-street,
with through depth from street to street of 112 feet 3 inches,
opposite the
CLARENCE and RICHMOND RIVER CO.'S WHARF,
and close to the Tasmanian Wharf, the Union Wharf, Huddart, Parker, and Co.'s Wharf, and other well-known properties.

TORRENS' TITLE. PLAN AT THE ROOMS.

HARDIE and GORMAN have received instructions to sell by public auction (unless previously sold privately), at their SALE ROOMS, in PITT-STREET, at 11.30 o'clock,
WEDNESDAY, 23rd JANUARY, 1884,
That GRAND CITY BLOCK, ripe for immediate BUILDING PURPOSES, within a few steps of the GRAFTON and other WHARFS, in a first-class and permanent business centre.

The AUCTIONEERS need only direct attention to the size of this BLOCK of LAND, the only VACANT BLOCK in the locality, to secure the attention of CAPITALISTS, BUILDERS, MERCHANTS, and SHIPOWNERS.
As indicative of the growing importance of the position, it may be mentioned that portion of the property opposite has recently been sold to London shipowners at £280 per foot.
Plan of the property, showing its relative position to other properties, has been prepared by Mr. Surveyor Thompson.
_ There is a quantity of valuable FREESTONE on the land ready to hand for building.

EVELEIGH.

TO MEMBERS of BUILDING SOCIETIES, SMALL CAPITALISTS, or those seeking A HOUSE FOR INVESTMENT or early occupation, well situated for easy access to the CITY, being close to the RAILWAY STATION, where trains pass to and from SYDNEY every few minutes during the day.

LOT 1 comprises
EIGHT WELL-BUILT BRICK HOUSES, known as WEATLEY-TERRACE, fronting HUGO-STREET, each containing hall and 6 rooms, all let at 14s each per house per week.
Also,
SEVEN EQUALLY WELL-BUILT HOUSES, known as SHAFTESBURY-TERRACE, fronting LOUIS-STREET, each containing hall and 6 rooms, &c., all let at 15s each per house per week.

The above-mentioned TERRACES are erected on a block of land having the following dimensions—
96 feet 5 inches to Hugo-street
and
84 feet 2 inches to Louis-street.
There is a private right-of-way at the rear of each house leading into Hugo-street.

The whole let, and producing £564 4s per annum.

The property will be sold either AS a WHOLE or in the SEPARATE TERRACES, or in SINGLE HOUSES.

LOT 2.

EVELEIGH, adjoining Lot 1,
AN EXCEEDINGLY VALUABLE BLOCK of LAND, situate on double frontages, viz.—
72 FEET to HUGO-STREET
and
72 FEET to LOUIS-STREET,
by a depth of 91 feet through from street to street, upon which now stand the foundations of an old house.

TITLE, TORRENS'.

HARDIE and GORMAN have received instructions to sell by public auction, at their Rooms, during the early part of JANUARY, 1884,
The above-described houses, known as Weatley-terrace fronting Hugo-street; and Shaftesbury-terrace, fronting Louis-street.
Also, a valuable block of land adjoining, all situate at Eveleigh, a highly improving locality.

In consequence of the sudden death, by railway accident, of Mr. Donnelly

That newly-built W. B. COTTAGE, at REDMYRE, known as the residence of the late Mr. DONNELLY, containing 7 rooms, verandah, &c., occupying a very good position, fronting
RAILWAY-STREET, REDMYRE,
within about 6 or 7 minutes' walk of the train, and situate next the residence of Arthur Thompson, Esq., close to the Properties of F. Sydney Jones, T. James Thompson, Esq., G. Allum, Esq., Captain Moodie, and others.

The LAND has 100 feet Frontage to Railway-street, by the very full depth of 200 feet, and the Title is under Torrens' Act.

HARDIE and GORMAN have received instructions from Mrs. Donnelly (for the reasons above stated) to sell by public auction, at their Rooms, in Pitt-street,
During the early part of January, 1884,
Her newly erected cottage residence, well-built in every particular, and in a fine, healthy, and favourite suburb.

Inspection is invited, as the property is for absolute sale. The land is about half an acre.

PETERSHAM.

THE WIDELY KNOWN and HIGHLY VALUABLE
PROPERTY,
distinguished as the
"SOUTH" ANNANDALE ESTATE,
containing in all the
VERY IMPORTANT AREA OF ABOUT
140 ACRES,
including that portion known as
JOHNSTON'S BUSH,
and the COMMODIOUS OLD FAMILY HOMESTEAD,
recently occupied by the late Captain ROBERT JOHNSTON, R.N.

THE ENTIRE ESTATE TO BE LET ON BUILDING LEASE (IN ONE LOT) for a term of 99 YEARS, at a GROUND RENT to be determined upon on the DAY OF SALE.

HARDIE and GORMAN are favoured with instructions to LET by PUBLIC AUCTION (ON A BUILDING LEASE for a term of 99 years), at their Rooms, 133, Pitt-street,
DURING THE EARLY PART OF THE YEAR 1884,
THAT MAGNIFICENT and HIGHLY VALUABLE PROPERTY so well known as the
"SOUTH" ANNANDALE ESTATE,
situate in the PARISH of PETERSHAM, and having on the south an EXTENSIVE FRONTAGE to the RAILWAY LINE, on the north A VERY VALUABLE and UNINTERRUPTED FRONTAGE to PARRAMATTA-ROAD, ALONG WHICH THE TRAMS PASS, and bounded on the east by JOHNSTON'S CREEK, and on the west by CRYSTAL-STREET, the PETERSHAM CRICKET GROUND, and Captain YULE'S ESTATE, and containing in all about
140 ACRES,
including Johnston's Bush, and the old family homestead known as South Annandale.

THE NEIGHBOURHOOD
is most picturesque and healthy, and is much in request for purposes of residence.
The situation and surroundings of the Estate generally are such as in every way to favour the RAPID DEVELOPMENT of its building capabilities.
The property is approached in many directions, viz., by a frequent and quick service of trains to the metropolis; by a constant supply of trams, and also by a capital omnibus route direct to the city, thus affording a most valuable field for BUILDING SPECULATION, and as specially suited for the operations of a
BUILDING COMPANY.

A PLAN has been carefully prepared, and can be inspected at the Offices of the Auctioneers, 133, Pitt-street, setting forth the actual number of feet frontage available for building purposes. Also, a subdivision on a liberal and profitable scale, ensuring to any intending lessee an immense annual income.

PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

NELLIGAN,
near
BATEMAN'S BAY.

1020 ACRES
of
HIGHLY-IMPROVED LAND,
bounded on the north by DURRAS LAKE, on the west by the BENANDRA CREEK.

In the driest of seasons there is an ABUNDANCE of WATER. The LAND is well-adapted for DAIRYING PURPOSES. There is a most prolific ORCHARD, in full bearing, and a large reserve close to, with magnificent timber upon it, and a sawmill at work. The mill is only 6 miles from Bateman's Bay. THE MAIN SOUTHERN ROAD runs along the BENANDRA CREEK.

For particulars as to Title, &c., apply to
JAMES THOMPSON, Esq.,
Solicitor, NOWRA;
or to
Messrs. ICETON and FAITHFULL,
Solicitors,
141, Pitt-street, Sydney.

HARDIE and GORMAN have received instructions to sell by public auction, at their Rooms, 133, Pitt-street,
ON AN EARLY DATE,
The above-described FREEHOLD ESTATE, comprising 1020 ACRES of RICH LAND, situate at NELLIGAN, near BATEMAN'S BAY, full particulars of which will appear in a future advertisement.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.

OLD SOUTH HEAD-ROAD.

FOR ABSOLUTE AND POSITIVE SALE.

LOT 1 comprises a BLOCK of LAND, fronting the OLD SOUTH HEAD-ROAD, and containing 6a. 2r. 26p., being portion of J. T. Hughes' grant (30 acres).
LOT 2 comprises a BLOCK of LAND, fronting OLD SOUTH HEAD-ROAD, and containing 3a. 1r., being portion of a grant to F. Mitchell (60 acres).
LOT 3 comprises a BLOCK of LAND situate fronting PEEL-STREET, just off the OLD SOUTH HEAD-ROAD, and containing 3a. 0r. 27½p., being portion of a grant to Hughes and Hosking (8a. 1r. 15p.)

HARDIE and GORMAN have received instructions to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, 133, Pitt-street, DURING THE EARLY PART OF JANUARY, 1884,
The above-described valuable blocks of land, suitable for BUILDING PURPOSES, and situate fronting the OLD SOUTH HEAD-ROAD.

ROSE BAY.

FOR POSITIVE SALE,
A CHOICE WATERSIDE VILLA RESIDENCE, known as REVENSEY, situate fronting the NEW SOUTH HEAD-ROAD, and containing 8 rooms, &c., at present vacant.
The LAND has a frontage of 66 feet to the NEW SOUTH HEAD-ROAD, by a depth of about 280 feet, running back to the waters of ROSE BAY.

The TITLE is leasehold, lease 99 years from January, 1857, subject to the nominal ground rent of £5 per annum.

HARDIE and GORMAN have received instructions to sell by public auction, at their Rooms, 133, Pitt-street, at 11.30 a.m.
during the month of JANUARY,
The above-described WATERSIDE VILLA, known as REVENSEY, NEW SOUTH HEAD-ROAD, situate next to the residence occupied by Mr. Jacob, and nearly opposite the grounds of Sir John Hay.

PETERSHAM.

Within a pleasant walk of the railway station, and in the midst of a well-peopled neighbourhood.
A MOST ENJOYABLE VILLA RESIDENCE,
known as COLMIER,
situate at the corner of
WARDELL-ROAD and FRAZER-STREET.

THE HOUSE, which is built of brick, and on stone foundations, has recently been put into thorough repair throughout, a considerable sum of money having been spent in decorative repairs, and comprises the following accommodation:—4 bedrooms, verandah, entrance hall, dining-room, communicating by folding-doors with the drawing-room, kitchen, pantry, washhouse, large back yard; also, in the rear, W.H. stables. There is an exceedingly pretty flower garden in front and at side, and also a most productive kitchen garden, situate in the eye of the sun.
The land has a frontage of 88 FEET to WARDELL-ROAD, and 132 FEET along FRAZER-STREET.

TITLE, TORRENS'.

HARDIE and GORMAN have received instructions to sell by public auction, at their Rooms, 133, Pitt-street, during the early part of
JANUARY, 1884.
The above described enjoyable little villa residence, known as COLMIER, and situate at the corner of WARDELL-ROAD and FRAZER-STREET, PETERSHAM.

PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT.

GREENWICH,
close to the proposed NEW RAILWAY.

A MAGNIFICENT BLOCK of LAND,
distinguished as
THE GREENDALE ESTATE,
containing in all
32a. 3r. 10p.,
together with improvements thereon, and possessing the Extensive Frontage of
1362 FEET 7 INCHES to the GREENWICH-ROAD,
Bounded on two sides by the estate of David Berry, Esq., a Government road 66 feet wide, and on the north by the Mansion and Property of W. H. Pulloh, Esq.

TITLE, TORRENS'.

HARDIE and GORMAN have received instructions to sell by public auction, at their Rooms, 133, Pitt-street, during the early part of JANUARY, 1884,
The above-described VALUABLE BLOCK of LAND, situate at GREENWICH.
Plan at Rooms.

THE VALLEY, BLUE MOUNTAINS.

FOR POSITIVE SALE, a GENTLEMAN'S COUNTRY RESIDENCE, known as
UPTON VILLA,
with pretty flower garden and good vegetable garden; also, comfortable DETACHED RESIDENCE, the whole erected on a BLOCK of LAND having an area of 40 acres, with large FRONTAGE to the GREAT WESTERN-ROAD, and situate between LAWSON'S ESTATE and WYOMING.

With the Property will be sold the whole of the Household Furniture, Buggy, and Live Stock.

HARDIE and GORMAN have received POSITIVE INSTRUCTIONS from the owners to sell by public auction, at their Rooms, Pitt-street, at 11.30 o'clock,
ON AN EARLY DATE,
The above-described property, situate within a short distance of
The VALLEY and SPRINGWOOD STATIONS.

To a gentleman in search of a country residence, with furniture and everything complete, we invite special inspection, the present owner having determined to sell.
COAL is said to abound in this locality, and arrangements are are being made to develope the same.
IN ONE LINE.
Plan may be seen at the Rooms.

PRELIMINARY INTIMATION.

IN THE ESTATE OF THE LATE FRANCIS COHEN, Esq.

VALUABLE FREEHOLD PROPERTIES, situate as under:
1. WILTON-STREET, off DEVONSHIRE-STREET
2. LONGBOTTOM, 1¼ ACRE CORNER BLOCK
3. BURWOOD, RIVER VIEW-TERRACE
4. BURWOOD, PORTION of BURWOOD HOUSE ESTATE.

Plans and particulars on application at the Rooms.

HARDIE and GORMAN have received instructions to sell IN THE ESTATE OF THE LATE FRANCIS COHEN, Esq., EARLY IN THE NEW YEAR,
Freehold properties as above.
Boards denoting the portions for sale have been put on the several blocks.

CANTERBURY,
on the Main Road,
with the Railway Line to Liverpool surveyed through it.

A FINE SUBDIVISION BLOCK.

128 ACRES 2 ROODS 17 PERCHES.

For Auction Sale at our Rooms, WEDNESDAY,
23rd JANUARY.

Tracings showing the block can be had on application, so that directors of building societies and land buyers can carefully inspect during the holidays.
FRONTAGES TO THREE MAIN ROADWAYS.

HARDIE and GORMAN, Auctioneers.

SALE on the GROUND during FEBRUARY, 1884.

IN THE ESTATE of the Late CAPTAIN YULE.

PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT.

PETERSHAM or MARRICKVILLE,
within about 10 minutes' walk of the Railway Station, and a few yards of the TRAM.

TEN ACRES Subdivided into Allotments fronting
MARRICKVILLE-ROAD
LIVINGSTONE-ROAD
CHARLES, and other streets
abutting on Subdivision Nathan's Estate, and opposite the Residence of J. Smith, Esq. (Messrs. Goodlet and Smith), and next the Residence of J. S. HARRISON, Esq.

Title, Torrens' Act. Terms Liberal.

Plans in course of preparation.

HARDIE and GORMAN have received instructions to sell by public auction,
ON THE GROUND,
during the early part of FEBRUARY, 1884,
The above described 10 ACRES OF LAND in SUBDIVISION.

KINGSGROVE, CANTERBURY,
about a quarter of a mile from the MAIN CANTERBURY-ROAD and one mile from the VILLAGE of CANTERBURY, and adjoining the properties of Messrs. KINLOCH and BUCHANAN.

28 ACRES of VALUABLE LAND, 7 ACRES of which are cleared and stumped, also 6 ACRES partly cleared, the remainder being bush land; together with a COMFORTABLE W.B. COTTAGE, containing 4 rooms, with kitchen attached, also front verandah, all roofed with iron, the whole being in capital repair. TWO WATER TANKS have been excavated, affording a NEVER-FAILING supply of EXCELLENT WATER. The SOIL is of a first-rate character, and there is any quantity of clay well adapted for making up bricks or earthenware pipes, &c.

THE PROPOSED NEW LINE of RAILWAY to LIVERPOOL passes through the NORTHERN CORNER of the ESTATE.

INTENDING PURCHASERS desirous of inspecting the property should proceed to the VILLAGE of CANTERBURY and thence along the MAIN CANTERBURY-ROAD, turning off to the left above the 'bus stand, which IS HALF A MILE from the VILLAGE. The MAN IN CHARGE (Thomas Duffy) resides in the Cottage, and WILL SHOW any INTENDING PURCHASER over the Estate.

HARDIE and GORMAN have received instructions to sell by public auction, at their Rooms, 133, Pitt-street, DURING THE EARLY PART OF JANUARY, 1884,
IN ONE LOT,
The above-described HIGHLY IMPORTANT ESTATE, comprising 28 ACRES of valuable land, situate at KINGSGROVE, CANTERBURY.
Solicitors for the Vendor, Messrs. Norton, Smith, Westgarth, and Saunders, Spring-street.
Plan at the Rooms.

THE COMING SALE.

NEWTOWN. NEWTOWN.
NEWTOWN. NEWTOWN.
That
SPLENDID well-known Property,

BRAY'S PADDOCK
BRAY'S PADDOCK,

situate on the MAIN COOK'S RIVER-ROAD,

opposite GOODSELL'S ESTATE,
and
adjoining the FIRST RAILWAY STATION on the
ILLAWARRA LINE.

BUILDING SITES.
BUSINESS SITES.

Depths up to 190 FEET, although in the centre of
NEWTOWN.

TORRENS' ACT TITLE. EASIEST TERMS.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES have pleasure in announcing that they have received instructions from G. C. Bray, Esq., to offer the whole of this valuable property, known as
BRAY'S PADDOCK,
NEWTOWN,
on SATURDAY, 12th JANUARY, ON THE GROUND,
when
the public will have an opportunity to SECURE these
UNRIVALLED SITES.
The estate has been carefully surveyed by Mr. Licensed Surveyor C. B. DAWSON, into
74 BUILDING ALLOTMENTS,
having frontages to the main COOK'S RIVER ROAD and other good streets, all one chain wide, each lot being PEGGED out and NUMBERED.
BRAY'S PADDOCK SITES have a large PRESENT and an IMMENSE PROSPECTIVE VALUE, and cannot but prove MOST PROFITABLE as INVESTMENTS.
They are situate on the MAIN ROAD, in the HEART of NEWTOWN, only about three miles from the GENERAL POST OFFICE, and commanding unrivalled views of BOTANY BAY, the city, and surrounding country; in fact, on the HEIGHTS of NEWTOWN.
The FIRST STATION on the ILLAWARRA RAILWAY is being erected on the other side of the MAIN ROAD, and within a few yards from the ESTATE.
CONSTANT COMMUNICATION with the city by 'BUS, RAIL, and TRAM.
WHAT WILL THIS LAND BE WORTH when the RAILWAY IS OPENED! BUSINESS PREMISES always centre round a STATION.
Remember, the TITLE is TORRENS' ACT,
and
the TERMS are EXCEEDINGLY LIBERAL,
viz.:
10 (ten) per cent. deposit, 15 per cent. in 3 months WITHOUT INTEREST, balance by three equal payments at 1, 2, and 3 years, with only 6 per cent. interest, from day of sale.

PLANS in a few days.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES,
Auctioneers.

WALKER-STREET, ST. LEONARDS.

SPLENDID NEW SHOP AND DWELLING.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES have received instructions to sell by public auction, at their Rooms, 105, Pitt-street,
on TUESDAY, 15th JANUARY,
at 11.30 a.m.
New BUSINESS PREMISES and DWELLING, containing shop about 18 x 27, 6 rooms, kitchen, verandah and balcony. WATER and GAS laid on. LAND about 25 x 117 to BACK LANE.

TITLE, TORRENS ACT.
Within 5 minutes of LAVENDER BAY FERRY.

RILEY-STREET, SURRY HILLS.
No. 398.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES have received instructions to sell by public auction, at their Rooms, 105, Pitt-street,
on TUESDAY, 15th JANUARY,
at 11.30 a.m.,
The above valuable house and premises, containing hall, six rooms, bathroom, pantry, storeroom, kitchen, washhouse, balcony, verandah, &c. WATER and GAS laid on.
Title, freehold.

THIS DAY.

PARRAMATTA.

JUST OPPOSITE THE DOMAIN.

THE NEW RAILWAY STATION.

WESTMEAD.

GRAND SUBDIVISION OF THE PROPERTY
formerly known as
OAKES' ORCHARD.

THIS AFTERNOON.

125 CHOICE VILLA SITES,
planted with oranges,
each having about 66 feet frontage by great depths, fronting
Fullagar's-road
Railway-street
Station-street
and other streets.
Allotments with orange trees.

TO-DAY.

SPLENDID RICH SOIL.

GOOD ELEVATION.

GRAND SITUATION.

Every lot is covered with grand orange trees in full bearing, which the purchaser can pre erve for his own garden.

MILLS and PILE have been instructed by the proprietor to sell by public auction, on the ground, THIS DAY, at 3.30 p.m.,
The
ABOVE ESTATE,
situate in Parramatta, opposite the beautiful Parramatta Park, and the grounds of the forthcoming exhibition.
The auctioneers desire to draw special attention to this sale, as one of the choicest estates ever offered in the market.

The wonderfully liberal Grove terms: 10 per cent. deposit, balance in 18 months, interest 6 per cent.

TO-DAY.

LITHOS. at 130, Pitt-street.
Free Train Tickets.

SATURDAY, 5th January, 1884.

The First Sale of the New Year.

PARRAMATTA.

Jeanneret's Subdivision, Keyes' Estate,
adjoining the Protestant Orphan School and Pemberton Grange.

15 Water Frontage Lots
5 Lots fronting Thomas and Palmer streets.

MILLS and PILE have received instructions from the proprietor to sell by public auction, on the ground, on SATURDAY, 5th January, 1884, at half-past 3,
THE ABOVE SPLENDID SUBDIVISION,
consisting of
20 CHOICE BUILDING BLOCKS,
EACH HAVING 66 FEET FRONTAGE TO GOOD ROADS,
BY DEPTH OF FROM 200 TO 300 FEET.
15 LOTS HAVE WATER FRONTAGES,
so that the purchasers can each keep their boat and emulate the performances of Trickett and Hanlan.
A special steamer will leave the King-street Wharf at 2 p.m., to carry intending buyers to the ground.

Terms, exceedingly liberal.

Lithographs at 130, Pitt-street.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 5, 1884.

LIVERPOOL-ROAD.

CROYDON.

On the Ground.

IMPORTANT SALE OF CHOICE ALLOTMENTS.

The best business sites in this growing suburb south of the line.

ALLISON'S SUBDIVISION.

MILLS and PILE have received instructions from the proprietor to sell by public auction, on the ground, on SATURDAY, January 5, 1884, at 3.30 o'clock p.m.,
30 CHOICE BLOCKS,
Fronting the Liverpool-road and other main streets,
10 LOTS LIVERPOOL-ROAD
12 LOTS ALLISON PARADE
7 LOTS GREENHILLS-STREET.

Terms, liberal.

PLANS AT 130, PITT-STREET.

BONDI. BONDI.

SUBDIVISION SALE
on the
GROUND,
NEXT SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29th,
of
ALLOTMENTS
having frontages to
OCEAN-STREET, WELLINGTON-STREET,
and
STUART-STREET,
commanding magnificent views of the
PACIFIC OCEAN, SYDNEY HARBOUR,
and the surrounding suburbs, and situate only a minute's walk
from the new
BONDI TRAM,
now in course of construction.

FREEHOLD TITLE.

EASY TERMS.

W. PRITCHARD, Auctioneer,
289, George-street.

FIRST-CLASS ALLOTMENT OF LAND.

WOODS-STREET, FOREST LODGE.

Having a frontage of 35 feet to Woods-street by a depth of 114 feet 6 inches, and being lot 32 of the original subdivision of Woods' Estate, within three minutes' walk of Forest Lodge tram and 'bus terminus.

FOR UNRESERVED SALE FOR CASH.

W. PRITCHARD has received instructions to sell by auction, in his Rooms, 289, George-street, on THURSDAY NEXT, December 27th, at 11 o'clock,
The above.

DANN-STREET, FOREST LODGE.

Small Allotment, having a frontage of 68 feet to Dann-street, by a side frontage to Orphan School Creek.

Suitable for a CABMAN, MANUFACTORY, or for the erection of small tenements.

Three minutes' walk from Forest Lodge Tram Terminus.

W. PRITCHARD has received instructions to sell by auction, in the Rooms, on THURSDAY, December 27th, at 11 o'clock,
The above described land.

MAGNIFICENT SITE FOR A GENTLEMAN'S RESIDENCE.

AGNES-STREET, REDMYRE.

W. PRITCHARD has received positive instructions to sell by auction, in the Rooms, 289, George-street, on THURSDAY, December 27, at 11 o'clock,
All that splendid block of land having a frontage of 248 feet to AGNES-STREET by a depth of 200 feet, all fenced in, and situate close to the properties of C. E. Pilcher, Esq., T. J. Thompson, Esq., and Dr. Jones, and within a very short distance of the REDMYRE RAILWAY STATION.

TORRENS' TITLE.

Plan at the Rooms of the Auctioneer.

TO BE SOLD AT THE RISK OF THE FORMER PURCHASER.

LOT 7 of the BOTANY PARK ESTATE, having a frontage of 50 feet to BOTANY-ROAD (along which the TRAMWAY runs) by a depth of 200 feet, commanding magnificent views of BOTANY BAY, CORREY'S TEA GARDENS, and the grounds of the Sir Joseph Banks Hotel.

W. PRITCHARD will sell by auction at the Rooms, 289, George-street, on THURSDAY, December 27, at 11 o'clock, at the risk and expense of the former purchaser,
The above well-situated ALLOTMENT of LAND.

Torrens' title.

HILL TOP, LIVERPOOL.

18 CHOICE ALLOTMENTS of LAND.

First-class Situation. Near all the Factories.

Elevated. Well Drained. Good Land.

6 Minutes' Walk from the Railway Station.

Suitable for Superior Cottages. VERY EASY TERMS.

CHARLES A. SCRIVENER has been favoured with instructions from Walter Lamb, Esq., to sell by auction, on the Ground, SATURDAY, December 29th, at 3 p.m.,
18 allotments of land, situated in the best position in the rapidly-improving town of Liverpool, which, on completion of branch line, will be only 18 miles from Sydney.

This land has been subdivided by J. H. Laycock, Esq., late of Trig. Staff, N. S. W., from whom, at the Pastoral-chambers, George-street, Sydney, lithographs can be had. Particulars and lithographs also from the auctioneer, Liverpool.
At the present time there is not a vacant house in the town, and property must rapidly advance in value in this the healthiest town in New South Wales.

COOGEE PARK Sale THIS DAY. Trams at 1.30 and 2 p.m. SMITH, CHAPMAN, and SMITH.

THIS DAY, SATURDAY, 22nd DECEMBER, at 2.30.
SPRING and GIPPS STREETS,
BALMAIN NORTH,
close to St. John's Church, Birch Grove, and convenient to Ferry.
10 Splendid Allotments, corner of Gipps and Spring streets, and corner of Spring and Thomas streets, and fronting St. John's Church (C.E.).

THOMAS O'TOOLE will sell by auction,
ON THE GROUND,
THIS DAY, SATURDAY, 22nd December, at 2.30,
The above fine building sites, overlooking Snail's Bay, Birch Grove, Cookston. Splendid view of harbour.
TITLE, WATERVIEW ESTATE.
Terms at sale.

BOXING DAY. BOXING DAY.
GORDON BAY, LITTLE COOGEE.
10 CHOICE ALLOTMENTS opposite the Baden Baden Hotel, fronting and overlooking Gordon Bay, with magnificent views of ocean, Waverley, &c., and situate between the residence of Mr. Wilson and the residence of Mr. A. Bennett.

THOMAS O'TOOLE will sell by auction,
ON THE GROUND,
BOXING DAY, 26th DECEMBER, at 3 p.m.,
A Splendid Block of Land, consisting of 10 choice allotments, being the whole of sec. 1, Cliffbrook Estate, Gordon Bay (Little Coogee Bay), and having frontages to Battery-street, Ivy-street, Ocean-street, and Cliffbrook-parade.
THE LOTS ARE LARGE,
THE LAND GOOD, and
THE SITUATION EXCELLENT.
BOXING DAY, 26th DECEMBER, at 3.
TITLE FREEHOLD. TERMS AT SALE.
Lithographs on application, 112, Pitt-street, Sydney.

NEW YEAR'S DAY
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COOGEE BAY
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THOMAS O'TOOLE at COOGEE BAY,
ON NEW YEAR'S DAY.
ARDEN-STREET
BEACH-STREET
DUDLEY-STREET
CARR-STREET
BROOK-STREET.
COOGEE BAY, THE FAVOURITE SUBURB
COOGEE BAY TO THE FRONT.
THE GREAT INCREASE in the price of land at Coogee during the past year indicates that Coogee is destined ere long to be the leading suburb for GENTLEMEN'S MANSIONS AND GRAND VILLAS AND RESIDENCES, and that SPECULATORS and others may rely upon a SAFE INVESTMENT at Coogee Bay.

THOMAS O'TOOLE has been instructed to sell by auction, ON THE GROUND, on NEW YEAR'S DAY,
Some of the choicest blocks of land at Coogee.
Lithographs on application, 112, Pitt-street, Sydney.

A SPLENDID FARM. A SPLENDID FARM.

Near Campbelltown.

On SATURDAY, the 22nd December,
at Gilbert's Forbes Hotel, Campbelltown,
at half-past 3 o'clock.

ELLIS and CO. have received instructions from B. Haughey, Esq., to sell by public auction, at Gilbert's Forbes Hotel, Campbelltown, THIS DAY, the 22nd December, at half-past 3 o'clock,
A Splendid Farm of 122½ acres of rich fertile land, all fenced and divided into six paddocks, 80 acres cleared and have been under cultivation, a 4-roomed cottage, kitchen and room roofed with galvanised iron, stabling for 8 horses, chaffhouse 20 x 12, garden, two 400-gallon water tanks, a large dam of never-failing supply of water; within 7 miles of the Campbelltown Railway Station, and three miles from the township of Appin; having a large frontage to the main road from Campbelltown to Wollongong.

Title freehold.
Terms at sale.

ABSOLUTE SALE.

KANGAROOBY STATION.

LACHLAN DISTRICT.

GRIFFITHS and WEAVER are instructed by Mr. T. H. PATEMAN to sell by auction, at the Exchange, Sydney, at noon on
WEDNESDAY, January 23, 1884,
His very valuable and highly improved
KANGAROOBY STATION,
situated on the Kangarooby Creek, 5 miles from Goolagong, and about 25 miles from Cowra, and embracing an area of about 96,000 acres, including 3590 acres of freehold and C. P. land.
The country is well suited for sheep, consists of timbered ridges and open flats, and is thoroughly and permanently watered, and the season having been very favourable there is abundance of grass and water.
The run is enclosed and sub-divided into 21 paddocks, by about 124 miles of substantial sheep-proof fences, mostly 6 and 7 wire.
The homestead consists of a well-built, 5-roomed dwelling-house with detached kitchen and out-buildings, garden, orchard, &c., good woolshed for 16 shearers, wool-room, screw press, &c.; overseer's and men's cottages; cultivation and horse paddocks.
The purchased land is of a very valuable description, and with the extensive improvements secures the property.
The capabilities of the station are estimated at least at 20,000 sheep.
With the property will be sold, about
3900 well-bred mixed sheep
1500 lambs
30 cattle
11 horses, including stallion.
This run being so highly improved, so lightly stocked, and in perfect working order, and with such abundance of feed and water, offers a rare opportunity to small capitalists.

Plans and further particulars can be obtained from
GRIFFITHS and WEAVER, Sydney.

NOTICE.

WALLARA AND DRUMMER'S FLAT ESTATE,
Goulburn River.

The above PROPERTY advertised for SALE by auction, on 16th January next, will not be offered, but is held for PRIVATE SALE.
GRIFFITHS and WEAVER, Sydney.
CROSSING and COX, Mudgee.

ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16, at 2 p.m.

Very valuable and substantial
BRICK BUSINESS PREMISES,
situate in Main-street in the most central position of the town of
LITHGOW.

Immediately opposite the Lithgow Station,
and
Adjoining the New Post and Telegraph Offices.

Without exception the MOST COMMANDING SITE for any line of business in this rapidly rising township.

At present occupied by Messrs. Lucas and Reeve as a General Drapery Warehouse, and built by them regardless of cost, to suit their requirements.

Important to Drapers, Storekeepers, Property Speculators, and others.

EDWARD BURNS has been favoured with instruction from Messrs. Lucas and Reeve to sell by public auction, on WEDNESDAY, January 16, at 2 p.m. on the premises, Main-street, immediately opposite the Lithgow Station.
Their substantial brick business premises, having a frontage of 24 feet to Main-street, with a depth of 50 feet.

The premises are erected on leasehold land, with a nominal ground rental, and having 6 years to run from February, 1884.

TERMS AT SALE.

Full particulars from the Auctioneer.

UPPER TARAGO.
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SALE DAY,
THE OPENING DAY OF THE RAILWAY.

To Speculators, Artisans, Railway Employees, and the Public generally.

STEWART'S SUBDIVISION,
comprising
128 ALLOTMENTS,
all
Available for Building Purposes.

12 Months Without Interest.
No Mortgage Fees.

ZOUCH and M'ALISTER have received instructions from Mr. W. Stewart, to sell by auction, at
UPPER TARAGO,
on the Opening Day of the Railway to that place,
128 ALLOTMENTS,
adjoining the
Railway Station, Goods shed, Post and Telegraph Offices,
and almost adjoining
The Junction of the Braidwood Line.
Two Miles from Lake Bathurst, and one hour's drive from Lake George.

TERMS EXTREMELY LIBERAL.
5s in the £ deposit, balance at 12 months without interest.

UPPER TARAGO.
UPPER TARAGO.

DATE OF SALE,
the
OPENING DAY of the RAILWAY
from
GOULBURN TO UPPER TARAGO.

To Capitalists, Speculators, Publicans, and Investors generally.

ZOUCH and M'ALISTER have received instructions from Mr. Wm. Stewart to sell by auction, on the premises at Upper Tarago, on the OPENING DAY of the Railway from Goulburn to that place,
That highly valuable and rapidly improving property known as
THE LAKE BATHURST HOTEL,
together with
50 Acres of the finest Agricultural Land in the District,
being a portion of the celebrated
SHERWIN'S FLATS.

To those who know the property comment is unnecessary.
Those who do not are invited to inspect, as the Auctioneers can confidently recommend the property as
A SOUND INVESTMENT.

PRELIMINARY ADVERTISEMENT.

TENAMBIT,
between East Maitland and Morpeth.

106 VALUABLE BUILDING ALLOTMENTS,
opposite East Maitland Reserve,
the property of
R. C. CLOSE, Esq.

FOR VILLA SITES UNSURPASSED IN THE DISTRICT.

To be SOLD BY AUCTION, ON THE GROUND,
on TUESDAY, 11th March, 1884, at 2 p.m.
BRUNKER and WOLFE, Auctioneers,
West Maitland, and
34, Hunter-street, Sydney.

TERMS, LIBERAL.

BOXING DAY.—Land SALE at LITTLE COOGEE.
Call for Litho. Thos. O'Toole, 112, Pitt-street.

COOGEE PARK Sale THIS DAY. Trams at 1.30 and 2 p.m. SMITH, CHAPMAN, and SMITH.

Houses and Land for Sale.

GOULBURN LAND SALE.

BLOCKS 2 ACRES up to 10 ACRES Elevated Building Sites, adjoining the town.

Price from £12 per acre without competition.

For plans and particulars send to
HARDIE and GORMAN, Sydney.

SUBURBAN INVESTMENT.—Three comfortable DWELLING HOUSES, situate fronting the Point Piper-road, close to Oxford-street, built of brick on stone, each containing 6 rooms, kitchen, bath, gas, water, &c.; rent returns about £195 per annum. Further particulars from HARDIE and GORMAN, 153, Pitt-street.

BURWOOD, close to the Railway Station, and occupying an enjoyable position, a most desirable BUILDING SITE, possessing 132 feet 6 inches frontage to WILLIAM-STREET, by a depth of 230 feet 8 inches, situate next to the residence of Mr. Wilkinson and Mrs. Savage, and opposite the property of Mr. Archer.
Plan and price on application to HARDIE and GORMAN, 153, Pitt-street.

AUBURN, close to the works in course of erection for Mr. Vale's Iron Works.—Choice Blocks, 20 x 150, with back lanes, only £21. Terms, £1 cash; balance only 10s per lot per month. No interest. HARDIE and GORMAN, Pitt-street.

CITY PROPERTY.—For PRIVATE SALE, large block of building LAND, commanding a frontage of 148 feet 3 inches to BATHURST-STREET, by 52 feet along WASHINGTON-LANE. TITLE, FREEHOLD. Terms—One-third cash; balance may remain at 6 per cent. *,* This block is situate convenient to the wharfs along Darling Harbour. Apply HARDIE and GORMAN, 153, Pitt-street.

COUNTRY BLOCK, 640 ACRES, on heights above PICTON LAKES; good site for country residence, rich land, partly cleared, balance well watered and timbered. Will be sold cheap in one line. HARDIE and GORMAN, Sydney.

CHEAPEST LAND IN THE MARKET.

BLOCKS on Mount Ramsay Estate, NARRABEEN, near Manly Beach, for private SALE at reduced figure. Discount for cash. Plans, &c., from
RICHARDSON and WRENCH.

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The UNSOLD ALLOTMENTS are now open for PRIVATE SALE on
LIBERAL TERMS.
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BURWOOD.—Capital CORNER, 66 x 206, Cheltenham and Princes streets; cheap. Richardson and Wrench.

HALF-ACRE of LAND and Cottage, 20 minutes from Summer Hill, £350. C. T. BURFITT.

BUSINESS SITE, Marion and Piper streets, Petersham; a good corner. C. T. Burfitt, 418, George-street.

THREE HOUSES, £1000 the lot, in a good letting position. BURFITT, 418, George-street.

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GLEBE POINT.—For positive SALE, two new semi-detached VILLAS, each containing 6 rooms, kitchen, bath, laundry, pantries, &c.; A1 position, splendid view, and very easy terms, viz., £100 deposit, balance in five years at 7½ per cent. Apply John Waugh, Mansfield-street, Glebe Point.

FOR PRIVATE SALE, Grand City BLOCK, Lime and Union streets; site of proposed railway station; Torrens' title; price, £7000. Also, Castlereagh-street, 47 feet by 68; £2600 cash. Also, grand building site for warehouse, Dixon-street, Darling Harbour, cheap. Apply T. S. Huntley, property auctioneer, over Mills and Pile, 130, Pitt-street.

MANLY.—For SALE, 100 x 113, fronting Darley-road, level, grand view, easy terms. R. Evans, grocer.

MANLY.—For SALE, 120 x 100, corner of Cliff-street and Darley-road; splendid elevation. R. Evans, grocer.

MANLY.—For SALE, 50 x 130, fronting Adison-road, level, only £5 foot. R. Evans, grocer.

MANLY.—For SALE, centre of town, 40 x 130; only £7 foot; £50 cash, balance in 5 years. R. Evans.

WAVERLEY, WOOLLAHRA.

COTTAGES, &c., FOR SALE, from £150.
LISTS FREE.
Apply Edward Blunsum, office of
The Eastern Suburbs Mutual Building and Investment Company,
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ANGOVE'S ALBION HOTEL, COOTAMUNDRA.

This property is too well known to need any comment, but the present proprietress, having decided to leave the colony for the benefit of her health, will either sell or let the business on reasonable terms. The Hotel will not be let to any but a really first-class tenant. For particulars, &c., apply to
MESSRS. JOHN FRAZER & CO.
TUCKER & CO.
DARCEY & CO.
BATH & CO. } Sydney.

FOR PRIVATE SALE, Lady Robinson's Beach, a very choice BLOCK, suitable for marine residence, 330 feet by 200 feet deep; close to terminus of Saywell's tramway; price, £300; terms, or £250 cash. Apply T. S. Huntley, over Mills and Pile, 130, Pitt-street.

PETERSHAM.—For SALE, that handsomely-finished detached Villa RESIDENCE, Belle Vue, 9 minutes from station and 3 from tram, containing six large rooms, large hall, bath, and out-offices, stable, and coach-shed, gas laid on to every room, handsome fittings, electric bells, flower garden in front, vehicle entrance, large yard. This property is very substantially built, and to be sold cheap; price only £665 cash; easy terms may be arranged, say £100, £150, or £195 down, balance £4 12s per month. Call at once, C. J. Cook, Elswick-street, Elswick, near O'Brien's store.

FOR SALE, by C. A. SCRIVENER, Liverpool.

COTTAGE, Liverpool, superior position, 5 large rooms, verandah back and front, outbuildings, large allotment
4-roomed Brick Cottage, well situated
Block of Land, junction Moore and Bathurst streets, 200 feet frontage to each street
45-ACRE FARM, good land, FIT FOR ANYTHING, timber, one mile from a station. Easy terms
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CHOICE ALLOTMENTS, main road and Short-street, Liverpool
1-ACRE BLOCK, Canley Vale, near station, good situation
8 Allotments, Drummoyne Park, water frontages, near steamer wharf

LOOK OUT for Land Sale, on the ground, on SATURDAY, 29th December, at 3 p.m. 15 ALLOTMENTS BEST PART LIVERPOOL. 5 minutes from Railway Station.

WAVERLEY.—Land for SALE, from £1 10s to £10 foot. T. E. Candell, Newland-st., Waverley-rd., Wav'ly.

BALMAIN.—For SALE, 2 COTTAGES, 3 rooms, brick; price £330; rent, £46 16s. J. Hall, Cur bridge-st., W.

SUMMER HILL.—For Sale, Cottage and Houses. Particulars, apply Devonshire Cottage, opp. Church of England.

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LAND and HOUSES
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TERMS TO SUIT ALL CLASSES OF PURCHASERS.

Ten per cent. deposit, and the balance at the rate of One Pound per month for each £100 owing.

Cottages, Villas, Houses, and Mansions now ready for sale; also, designs furnished, and cottages, houses, villas, and business premises erected for purchasers on the same liberal terms, re-payments not to commence until the premises are ready for occupation.

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Good Land. Plenty of It. Marvellously Cheap.

Allotments, WITHIN 10 MINUTES OF THE RAILWAY PLATFORM, and fronting a 66-feet road, 100 wide by 250 feet deep, for £20 (twenty pounds).

Railway Frontage Allotments, 100 feet wide, 300 feet deep, for £30.

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A few choice Allotments in this Estate for Sale,
each 40 feet by 176 feet.
Price, £32 each.
TERMS:
£3 per lot deposit. Balance (with interest) in monthly payments extending over 3, 5, or 7 years.
Note the Address—
SYDNEY AND PROVINCIAL LAND AND BUILDING CO.,
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One of the best SITES, fronting the Esplanade, and within 400 yards of the pier. Apply to
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FOR SALE.
Note the Terms.
BAKEHOUSE, SHOP, and DWELLING, in a thriving neighbourhood. Only 10 per cent. deposit required, balance by very easy monthly instalments. Torrens' Title.
Also, in various suburbs,
HOUSES and COTTAGES, on same liberal terms.
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FOR SALE, WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION, at Randwick, BYRON LODGE and Grounds, lately the property of John Tait, Esq. Apply to Messrs. MILLS and PILE, 130, Pitt-street.

BOXING DAY.—Land SALE at LITTLE COOGEE. Call for Litho. Thos. O'Toole, 112, Pitt-street.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES have the following Properties for Private SALE, besides many others not advertised. See our last Register:—

EVELEIGH. Splendid Terrace of 7 HOUSES, each containing 4 rooms, kitchen, washhouse, balcony, &c.; substantially built of brick on stone, large yards, good back entrance. Title, freehold. Annual rental, £320 6s. Price, £2850.

ROOKWOOD. Neat detached COTTAGE and an ACRE of Land, two minutes of station, containing 4 rooms, storeroom, and verandah outside, fowl and tool houses, &c. Title, TORRENS' ACT. Price, £550. Terms, £50 or £100 deposit, balance by easy payments.

FAIRFIELD. Splendid Blocks in FAIRFIELD PARK, from £15 per lot. Terms, from £2 deposit per lot, balance by small instalments, or 2½ per cent. DISCOUNT for cash. RICH SOIL, fast IMPROVING locality, close to RAILWAY STATION. Call for plans.

GEORGE'S R. 2 magnificent WATER FRONTAGE BLOCKS of 90 and 190 ACRES respectively, situate close to Oatley's grant, and near the BRIDGE for the ILLAWARRA RAILWAY over George's River. PLAN on view. MUST BE SOLD, as owner is LEAVING for EUROPE.

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WOOLLOOMOOLOO. 5 GOOD HOUSES, near Riley-street, each containing 5 rooms, kitchen, bathroom, balcony, and verandah. Substantially built of brick on stone, under the provisions of the NEW BUILDING ACT. For sale either together or separately.

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CHIPPENDALE. Valuable CORNER HOUSE, containing 5 rooms, balcony, &c., coachhouse, stable, and hayloft. Well built of brick on stone. Water laid on. Land, 100 x 26 (about). Price, £600.

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CARDS to view, plans, and all information on application.
BATT, RODD, and PURVES.
Auctioneers,
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SNUG 8-roomed COTTAGE, with washhouse, pantry, verandahs, &c., and ¾ acre of land, laid out in kitchen and flower gardens, paddock, fowl yard, &c.; situate at Enfield; price only £660. B. 85. BATT, RODD, and PURVES.

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Suppose you are now paying £80 a year rent, in eleven years you will have paid your landlord more than the value of the house, and not a brick of it will belong to you.

If you have only £80 YOU NEED NOT PAY RENT ANY LONGER. You can buy land at Bishopscourt to the value of say £200, and build a nice house upon it for say £600 more, making altogether £800.

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ASHFIELD.—Good W. B COTTAGE, 6 rooms; land, 40 x 116; £425; deposit, £25, balance as rent. J. W. FIBBY, 313, Pitt-street.

FOR SALE, a bargain, Paddington-street, Paddington, a HOUSE, containing 6 rooms, kitchen, bath, and washhouse, gas and water, asphalted yard. Torrens' title. Apply Albion House, 351, Dowling-street, Surry Hills.

SUMMER HILL.—For Private SALE, Gentleman's RESIDENCE, known as SAN TALMO, situated in Smith-street, within three minutes from station, near the Church. It contains nine rooms, kitchen, stove, bath and shower, pantry, laundry, verandahs and balconies back and front, plentiful supply of pure water; land, 100 feet frontage by 200 feet deep. This property stands well within its own grounds, the title Torrens', high position, good surroundings. This property is most substantially built, brick on stone, very tastefully finished, fitted with marble mantels throughout, bells and gas. The ground at present being laid out for lawns and shrubs. Apply on Property.

FOR SALE, 2 new 5-roomed HOUSES, tram passes door; also 4-roomed COTTAGE, every convenience; 2 Allotments Ground, Mill Hill, Waverley; also 3 in North Annandale; 1 in Croydon, cheap. 44, Watkin-street, Newtown.

GOSFORD, GOSFORD.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

BUGGIES and HORSES are supplied FREE of CHARGE to view PROPERTIES at this (to be the most valuable) part of the colony.

PARENTS, invest a few pounds, it is better than Life Insurance. £500 now spent will return £1000 in a few years.

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Funerals.

THE FRIENDS of JAMES SOMERVILLE HELSHAM are respectfully informed that his Funeral will leave Thornleigh, Concord, THIS (Saturday) MORNING, at half-past 8 o'clock, and proceed to Homebush station per funeral train to Necropolis. H. KINSELA (late W. and H. Kinsela), Undertaker, George-street, opposite Christ Church.

THE FRIENDS of the late CHARLES BODELL are respectfully invited to attend his Funeral; to move from his late residence, Charlotte-street, Balmain West, THIS DAY, SATURDAY, at 9 o'clock, for Balmain Cemetery. A. GOODSIR, Undertaker, Evans-street, Balmain West.

THE FRIENDS of MARGARET BODELL are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of her late beloved HUSBAND; to move from his late residence, Charlotte-street, Balmain West, THIS DAY, SATURDAY, at 9 o'clock, for Balmain Cemetery. A. GOODSIR, Undertaker, Evans-street, Balmain West.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. THOMAS TASKER are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved DAUGHTER, Elizabeth; to move from his residence, Botany-road, near Kerosene Works, at quarter-past 1 o'clock, for the Necropolis. JOSEPH MEDCALF, Undertaker, Regent and Redfern streets, Redfern.

THE FUNERAL of the late LADY MITCHELL will take place THIS (Saturday) AFTERNOON; to move from her late residence, Macleay-street, at quarter before 2 o'clock, for Necropolis. WALTER STEWART, Undertaker.

THE FRIENDS of the late Mr. CARL OTTO SILFVERAIRD are invited to attend his Funeral; to move from his late residence, off Pitt-street, near Liverpool-street, THIS (Saturday) AFTERNOON, quarter before 2, for Necropolis. WALTER STEWART, Undertaker.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. WILLIAM JAMES are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved SON, William Morris; to move from his residence, 24½, Bourke-street, Woolloomooloo, THIS (Saturday) AFTERNOON, at a quarter to 2 o'clock, for the Necropolis. W. H. WOOD and SON, Undertakers, 807, George-street South, and Darling-st., Balmain.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. WILLIAM DINIVAN are respectfully requested to attend the Funeral of his deceased beloved WIFE, Rachel; to move from his residence, No. 9, Berwick-lane, off Crown-street, Woolloomooloo, THIS DAY, Saturday, at a quarter to 2 o'clock, and proceed to the Necropolis. Mrs. THOMAS and SON, Undertakers, York-street.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. JOHN W. FLANAGAN, Produce Merchant, are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved MOTHER, Mrs. Bridget Flanagan; to move from his residence, No. 75, Ultimo-street, THIS SATURDAY, at a quarter before 3, for the Catholic Cemetery, Petersham. J. and G. SHYING and CO., Undertakers, No. 1, Regent-street.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. JOHN GLEESON are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved infant DAUGHTER, Margaret Gleeson; to move from his residence, No. 12, Queen-street, Glebe, THIS SATURDAY, at 3 o'clock, for the Catholic Cemetery, Petersham. J. and G. SHYING and CO., Undertakers, No. 1, Regent-street, off George-street West.

THE FRIENDS of the late Mr. JOHN M'KAY (of Messrs. Vial and Sons', coachmakers) are invited to attend his Funeral; to move from his late residence, 61, Barcom-street, Paddington, at 3 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery. WALTER STEWART, Undertaker.

THE FUNERAL of the deceased Mr. GEORGE HERVE MINGAYE will leave his late residence, Campbell-street, Parramatta, THIS (Saturday) AFTERNOON, at 4 o'clock.
JORDAN SPARKS.

THE FRIENDS of the late Mr. THOMAS JOSEPH MURPHY are respectfully invited to attend his Funeral; to move from his late residence, 114, Harrington-street, TO-MORROW (Sunday) AFTERNOON, at a quarter-past 1 o'clock sharp, to the Necropolis. P. KIRBY, Undertaker, 68 and 84, Hunter-street.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. WILLIAM MURPHY are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his deceased beloved SON, Thomas Joseph Murphy; to move from his late residence, 104, Harrington-street, TO-MORROW (Sunday) AFTERNOON, at quarter past 1 o'clock, to the Necropolis. P. KIRBY, Undertaker, 68 and 84, Hunter-street.

THE FRIENDS of Messrs. WILLIAM, JOHN, and JAMES MURPHY are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved BROTHER, Thomas; to move from his residence, 112, Harrington-street, on SUNDAY AFTERNOON at 1 o'clock, for Rookwood Cemetery.

THE FRIENDS of JAMES MURPHY are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his deceased beloved NEPHEW; to move from his parents' residence, 114, Harrington-street, TO-MORROW, SUNDAY, at 1 o'clock. P. KIRBY, Undertaker, 68 and 84, Hunter-street.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. WILLIAM WATTS, Cab Proprietor, are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his beloved WIFE, Amelia, TO-MORROW (Sunday) AFTERNOON; to move from his late residence, 56, Forbes-street, Woolloomooloo, at half-past 1 o'clock, to the Necropolis. T. DIXON, Undertaker, 25, Oxford-street.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. MICHAEL CULLEN are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his deceased beloved SON, John Louis Cullen; to move from his late residence, No. 2, Mackay-street, Ultimo, THIS (Saturday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, to the Necropolis. P. KIRBY, Undertaker, 68 and 84, Hunter-street.

THE FRIENDS of the late Mrs. HARDIMAN, relict of the late Mr. Malachi Hardiman, are respectfully invited to attend her Funeral; to move from the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. Francis Fagan, corner of Bay-st. and Ultimo-st., Glebe, on SUNDAY AFTERNOON, at half-past 1, for Necropolis. J. and G. SHYING and CO., Undertakers, 1, Regent-st., off Geo.-st. W.

THE FRIENDS of JOHN and JAMES HARDIMAN are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved MOTHER, Mrs. Ann Hardiman; to move from the residence of her son-in-law, Mr Francis Fagan, corner of Bay-st. and Ultimo-street, Glebe, on SUNDAY AFTERNOON, at half-past 1, for Necropolis. J. and G. SHYING and CO., 1, Regent-street.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. JOSHUA HILL and Mr. FRANCIS FAGAN are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved MOTHER-IN-LAW, Mrs. Ann Hardiman; to move from her son-in-law's residence, corner of Bay and Ultimo streets, Glebe, on SUNDAY AFTERNOON, at Half-past 1 o'clock, for the Necropolis. J. and G. SHYING and CO.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. WILLIAM DONOVAN are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved SON, William John; to move from the residence of his parents, No. 1, Eva-terrace, off Elizabeth-street, Strawberry Hills, TO-MORROW (Sunday) AFTERNOON, at a quarter to 2 o'clock, to Necropolis. HART and FERGUSON, 835, George-street.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. JOHN CORBETT are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved GRANDSON, William John Donovan; to move from the residence of his parents, No. 1, Eva-terrace, off Elizabeth-street, Strawberry Hills, TO-MORROW (Sunday) AFTERNOON, at a quarter to 2 o'clock, to Necropolis. HART and FERGUSON, 835, George-st.

THE FRIENDS of the late JOHN M'KAY, coachbuilder, are respectfully invited to attend his Funeral, to move from his late residence, 61, Barcom-street, Darlinghurst, TO-MORROW EVENING, at 3 o'clock, to Waverley Cemetery.

Necropolis Office,
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THE TRUSTEES of the Church of England Cemetery, Necropolis, respectfully request that any irregularities occurring with reference to interments in the above-named Cemetery be at once reported, by letter, to their Manager.

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FOR SALE, new LAUNCH, 20 x 5, brass propeller, awning, and stuff box; suitable for steam, sail, or otherwise; in fine shape, great bargain. Apply Mr. Reed, Pyrmont Bridge-road, Pyrmont.

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A. C. W.,—Your mother very ill. H. F. W., Scott's.

DEAR HARRY, I am in need of your advice. Address Maria, H. G., Herald Office.

FRED. STOHR,—call on J. Davis, 138, William-street, Woolloomooloo.

JOHN STANLEY WRIGHT,—Please call and see Mr. Moss, 229, Macquarie-street North. Important.

JOSEPH DUNLEY, lately arrived from England.—Call Gill, Pownall's, 16, Bond-street. Important business.

MR. R. BERRY will oblige by sending his address to W. R., Herald Office.

MR. LANDRY.—Call at 9, Saturday. Kenyon, law stationer, Elizabeth-street.

R. P. MARSHALL, late of Nyngen,—Write to M. J. O'Connor, No. 12, Francis-street, Hyde Park, Sydney.

SCHNELL.—Call on Dalm and Oertel, Mineral Water Works, 37, Bourke-street, Redfern.

SHOULD this meet the eye of JOSEPH or JOHN BOSWORTH, left Birmingham 1852-1850, by communicating with William Cowdrill, Nelson-street, Annandale, will hear of news from home.

TO-NIGHT. Manchester.

THOMAS GARDINER, left Lake Macquarie 9 years. Call, write, 25, Bennett-street, Moore Park, Surry Hills.

WILLIAM MURRAY, Purchaser in Thurnby Estate, Newtown.—Please call on Hardie and Gorman, Pitt-st.

Lost and Found.

FIVE POUNDS REWARD.—LOST, one (50) Pound NOTE, last night, with two SOVEREIGNS rolled inside, between Palmer-street and Erskine-street. The finder will receive the above reward by returning the same to Lerwick Hotel, Palmer-street, Woolloomooloo. Number known.

FIVE SHILLINGS REWARD.—LOST, between Rosehill-street, Redfern, and railway, a Gold BROOCH, with Bloodstone in centre, and photo. in back. The finder will receive above reward on returning same to 17, Rosehill-street, or 156, Palmer-street, Woolloomooloo.

LOST, Gold LOCKET, supposed in Park-street, with fair hair inside; 5s reward. Wildige, 84, Park-street.

LOST, Black and White Newfoundland PUP, slut. Reward. W. Mainer, Johnston-street, Annandale.

LOST, RECEIPT BOOK of North Shore Gas Company, Limited. Reward at works, Neutral Bay.

LOST, Red POCKETBOOK. 10s reward, Samuel Croftland, Flagstaff Quarries.

LOST, ARTICLES, belonging Schooner Agnes. Reward given. 83, John-street, Pyrmont.

LOST, part of Gold EARRING, between Pyrmont and Bourke-street. Reward at 28, Harris-street, Pyrmont.

LOST, a CHEQUE, for £11; payment stopped. Reward. Apply W. H. Billyard, 84, Castlereagh-street.

LOST, Brindle Kangaroo SLUT, cut on foot, reward on delivery. A. Moore, Old Parramatta-road, Forest Lodge.

LOST, Poodle DOG, Camden-street. Any one keeping him after this date will be prosecuted. T. Hall.

LOST, on 19th instant, 2 Antwerp PIGEONS, dun and silver dun, branded on wings Goulburn Homing Pigeon Society; reward given. C. Williams, 97, Raglan-street, Waterloo.

LOST, a CHEQUE on Federal Bank for £14 6s 6d, in favour of Richardson and Wrench; payment stopped. F. Wells, 208, Pitt-street.

LOST, Fox Terrier DOG, white, with tan head and spot on tail, strayed Thursday last from King-street Wharf; 10s. reward on returning to Railway Survey Department, 87, Pitt-street (over Mutual Provident Offices).

LOST from Carsdon, Albert-street, Woollahra, a small (Female) PUGDOG. Answers to the name of "Judy." £1 reward will be paid on her being returned to Mr. Wrench at the above address.

LOST or STOLEN (reward £1), on Tuesday night, in Dowling-street, a Silver WATCH and Gold CHAIN; maker's name, Stauffer, George-street. Address J. Lloyd, Albion-street, Paddington.

LOST, from Redfern, a black Retriever DOG, answers to name of Jackson; had on chain and leather collar. Finder will be handsomely rewarded on returning to 49, Hugo-street, Redfern. Any person detaining the dog after this notice will be prosecuted.

LOST, from Burwood, on Tuesday night, one Dark Iron-Grey Pony HORSE, long tail and mane. One Bay HORSE, collar marked, branded like 5 on near shoulder, off hip knocked off. £1 reward on returning to T. D. MEAKES, Fitzroy and Castlenham streets, Burwood.

ONE POUND REWARD.—Strayed from Petersham, with winkers on, a bay MARE, branded MC near shoulder. Above reward on returning same to Bald-face Stag Hotel, Petersham.

ONE POUND REWARD.—Lost, on 20th instant, a Black RETRIEVER, about 12 months old, answers to the name of Darkie; owners' name on collar. The above reward will be paid on delivery to Hawkes and Co., Castlereagh-street.

REWARD.—Left on last seat of last carriage, Waverley tram, leaving Bridge-street 5.5 p.m., small Lever TIMEPIECE, in paper parcel, addressed Mr. Davidson, Water Police Office, to whom apply.

STRAYED, from Marrickville, grey MARE, no brand. Reward. Robert Miller, 68, Clarence-street.

STRAYED from Marrickville, with a brown mare, one Bay HORSE, black points, girth marked; branded No. 5 on thigh. F. Galvin, Illawarra-road, Marrickville.

TEN SHILLINGS REWARD.—LOST, between Glebe Island and Parramatta-street, small black BOOK, with red edges; no use to anyone but the owner. H. Fay, Halfway House, or 12 Stall, Glebe Island.

TWO POUNDS REWARD.—LOST, yesterday afternoon, a Silver Watch CHAIN, with silver and gold lockets, silver pencil case, scent bottle, and keys attached. Apply Turner and Henderson, Hunter-street.

FOUND, Bay HORSE, 2 white feet, no shoes, branded M over like Y. W. Hammond's Stables, Botany Heads.

FOUND, a Skiff DINGY. Owner apply to B. H. Vipond, Pyrmont Baths, bottom Point-street.

FOUND, a PINE LOG. Owner can have it by paying expenses. E. Taylor, Central Wharf.

FOUND, a Black Retriever DOG. Apply 72, Abercrombie-street.

FOUND, Cam BROOCH. Owner can have same by applying to Accountant at Stephen, Laurence, and Jaques', 81, New Pitt-street.

FOUND, PURSE, Underwood-street, Paddington. Owner can have same by describing contents and paying advertising. John Kea, Albion House, 351, Dowling-street, Surry Hills.

Tenders.

ANNUAL SUPPLY FOR THE BENEVOLENT SOCIETY FOR THE YEAR 1884.

The undermentioned being required for the establishment of the Benevolent Society at Sydney, persons willing to supply the same are requested to forward TENDERS, addressed to the Secretary, at the office of the Society, Pitt-street South, on MONDAY, the 31st December at noon:—

MILK.

All information as to form of tender and schedule of contract required can be obtained from the Manager (Mr. F. Jentsch), at the office of the Asylum.

The Directors do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.

I. J. JOSEPHSON, Hon. Secretary.
Sydney, December 18th, 1883.

AUSTRALIAN GAS LIGHT COMPANY.

TO SLATERS.

TENDERS addressed to the Secretary will be received at this Office until noon of MONDAY, the 24th instant, from persons willing to Slate the Retort House Roof at Gas Works, Darling Harbour.

Further particulars may be had on application to the Company's Engineer.

Company's Offices,
Sydney, 17th December, 1883.

BOROUGH OF EAST ST. LEONARDS.

TENDERS are invited up to noon on THURSDAY, 27th instant, for the undermentioned works:—
Laying a pipe drain and other works, Little Arthur-street.
Laying a pipe drain in Bligh and Broughton streets.

Plans and specifications to be seen at the Council-chambers, daily, 9 to 11 a.m.

J. G. FITZGERALD,
Council Clerk.
Council-chambers, December 20, 1883.

BOROUGH OF MARRICKVILLE.

TENDERS are hereby invited for TWO competent VALUATORS to make the ASSESSMENT of the BOROUGH for the year 1884-5.

SPECIFICATIONS to be seen at the TOWN HALL, Illawarra-road, Marrickville, upon application to council clerk or the caretaker.

TENDERS to be sent in not later than FRIDAY, the 18th JANUARY, 1884.

J. H. JOHNSON,
Council Clerk.
Marrickville, December 17, 1883.

CITY BUILDING LAND. TO BE LEASED.

TENDERS will be received by Messrs. HARDIE and GORMAN up to Noon on SATURDAY, JANUARY 5, 1884, for the Letting on a BUILDING LEASE of that IMPORTANT CORNER BLOCK of CITY LAND, situate and having a frontage of 57 FEET 2 IN. to CHARLOTTE-PLACE, and 46 FEET 10 IN. to PRINCES-STREET, with the buildings now thereon.

TERM of LEASE, 21 YEARS, from JANUARY 1, 1884.

TENDERERS TO STATE the amount of Annual GROUND RENT, and the SUM to be EXPENDED in BUILDINGS.

Lowest tender not necessarily accepted.

THE LAND occupies an important position at the corner of CHARLOTTE-PLACE and PRINCES-STREET, immediately opposite GROSVENOR-TERRACE, in a highly improving part of the city.

HARDIE and GORMAN,
133, Pitt-street.
December 1, 1883.

CHEMIST.—TENDERS are invited for the Supply of Medicines, &c., to the Members of St. John's Lodge, No. 38, P. A. F. S. of A. Tenders to be sent in not later than the 25th instant, addressed to
J. E. CHANT, Sec.,
13, Best-street, Woolloomooloo.

CARTAGE.—TENDERS wanted for the whole City Delivery of a Wholesale firm of Merchants and Importers. State price per ton or load. Address—Copernicus, Herald Office.

TENDERS wanted for PLUMBING and GAS-FITTING, &c., for HOUSE in Johnston-street, near Annandale. Apply to Mr. Briger, in Job.

FIRST-CLASS GRAZING ESTATE, NEAR DENMAN.

TO LET BY TENDER.

TENDERS will be received by the undersigned up till MONDAY, the 31st instant, for a 12 years' Lease of about 4000 Acres of first-class GRAZING and AGRICULTURAL LAND, on the Goulburn River, near Denman, and known as the property of the late Mr. John Town.

The Estate, which joins the celebrated Baerami property of Mr. Thos. Hungerford, has been for many years in the occupation of Mr. Graham, and his fat stock have always commanded top prices in the Maitland market.

The property is well improved by fencing, ringing, and subdivision, and there is a comfortable homestead, &c.

Tenderers must state the rental per annum, paid half-yearly, that they are prepared to give.

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Tenders to be addressed to the undersigned.

PITT, SON, and BADGERY,
Sydney.

83-103. Town Clerk's Office, Sydney,
21st December, 1883.

HARDWOOD BLOCKS.

TENDERS will be received at this Office until eleven o'clock on TUESDAY, the 15th January, 1884, for the supply of from Five Hundred Thousand to Two Million Hardwood Blocks for street-paving.

Particulars at City Surveyor's Office.

T. A. BUTTERFIELD,
Town Clerk pro tem.

HIBERNIAN AUSTRALASIAN CATHOLIC BENEFIT SOCIETY (St Joseph's Branch, No. 68).

TENDERS are hereby called for DOCTOR and CHEMIST for the above branch for the ensuing six months.

ARTHUR C. MARTIN, Sec., Box 6, G. P. O.
Sydney, December 19, 1883.

MEDICAL.—TENDERS are invited for Medical Attendance to the Members of St. John's Lodge, No. 38, P. A. F. S. of A. Tenders to be sent in on or before the 25th instant, addressed to
J. E. CHANT, Sec.,
13, Best-street, Woolloomooloo.

TO MERCHANTS, CAPITALISTS, RESTAURANT PROPRIETORS, &c.

TENDERS are invited for the well-known No. 2 COFFEE PALACE, Circular Quay, Sydney, in full working order, thoroughly fitted up as a first-class Temperance Hotel, having spacious dining-room, 32 double and single bedrooms, billiard-room, &c., together with all the appliances for carrying on an extensive trade.

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2. For the Purchase of the Lease only.
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Tenders to be sent in by THURSDAY, 17th January, 1884, to
MELDRUM and MELDRUM, Accountants,
382, George-street, Sydney,
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Meantime business is being conducted as usual, and tenderers have an opportunity of ascertaining the large restaurant and hotel business being done.

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THE COMMERCIAL BUILDING AND INVESTMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

TENDERS are invited for the erection and completion of a Block of Offices, Cellars, &c., corner of Bond and Hamilton streets.

Tenders to be given in two ways—
1st. For brick fronts, cemented.
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The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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EDWARD HOBBS,
Architect and Surveyor,
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Tenders close on the 24th December.

WM. HOWARD SMITH and SONS, Limited.

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TENDERS received up to 31st instant for the Erection of first-class

SEMI-DETACHED VILLAS,
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TENDERS are invited for the Erection and Completion of a SHOP and RESIDENCE at CROYDON.

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MANSFIELD BROTHERS, Architects,
121, Pitt-street, Sydney.

TO BUILDERS.

TENDERS are invited for the Erection and Completion of new BANKING PREMISES, for the COMMERCIAL BANKING COMPANY, at KEMPSEY.

Plans and specifications may be seen upon application to the MANAGER of the Commercial Bank, KEMPSEY; and at the offices of the Architects, to whom Tenders are to be delivered on or before MONDAY, 7th JANUARY, 1884.

MANSFIELD BROTHERS, Architects,
121, Pitt-street, Sydney.

TO BUILDERS.

TENDERS are invited for the Erection and Completion of a VILLA RESIDENCE in Macquarie-street, PARRAMATTA.

Plans and specifications may be seen upon application at the offices of the Architects, to whom tenders are to be delivered on or before THURSDAY, 10th JANUARY, 1884.

MANSFIELD BROTHERS, Architects,
121, Pitt-street, Sydney.

TO CONTRACTORS.—TENDERS will be received until THURSDAY, the 27th instant, for the CONSTRUCTION OF A FOUNDATION, and levelling and refitting of GAS-HOLDER TANK for the PARRAMATTA GAS COMPANY.

Plans may be seen and all information obtained on application to the undersigned.

NORMAN SELFE, Consulting Engineer.
141, Pitt-street.

TO BUILDERS.

Revised TENDERS will be received up to the 4th January for the Erection and Completion of a House at Neutral Bay. Plans, &c., can be seen on application at our offices, 171, York-street.

THORNLEY and SMEDLEY, Architects.

TO BUILDERS.

TENDERS will be received up to the 4th January for the Erection and Completion of two Cottages, at Botany. Plans, &c., can be seen on application at our office, 171, York-street.

THORNLEY and SMEDLEY, Architects.

TO BUILDERS.—TENDERS invited up to the 24th instant for the Erection and Completion of a first-class Residence on the Annandale Estate, for William M'Kenzie, Esq.

Plans and specifications from
J. P. WALKER, Building Surveyor.
109, George-street West.

TENDERS.—DRAIN PIPES.—3 inch, 4d; 4 inch, 4½d; 6 inch, 6d; 9 inch, 1s; 12 inch, 1s 6d; 15 inch, 3s; 18 inch 4s; 21 inch, 7s 6d; 24 inch, 10s per foot. Paving and Garden Tiles, cheap. M. J. CONLON, Broughton-street, Glebe.

TENDERS wanted for Hydraulic Truck-hauling Gear. Plan and specification may be seen at E. Vickery and Sons', 78, Pitt-street.
Tenders close December 24.

TENDERS for Shops and Dwellings, St. Peters, to be sent in before 12 o'clock THIS DAY, to our offices, Scott's-chambers, 96, Pitt-street.
ELLIS and SLATYER, Architects.

TENDERS wanted for First-class Brass BAND of 18 performers for CHRISTMAS AFTERNOON, to perform from 3 p.m. Tenders to be sent AT ONCE to Cambridge, Gen. Post Office.

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TENDERS for RUBBLE WORK, also BRICK WORK, labour only. H. T. Hogg, Union-st., North Shore.

TENDERS for erection of a shop and dwelling at Manly. Plans, &c., 165, Castlereagh-street. Close 24th instant.

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BOXING DAY.—Land SALE at LITTLE COOGEE. Call for Litho. Thos. O'Toole, 112, Pitt-street.

Professions, Trades, &c.

APPRENTICE, in or out doors, wanted to the watchmaking; premium. Apply A. F., 295, King-st., Newtown.

ACTIVE business Man, with £1500, can join another, Timber and Sawmill BUSINESS, on railway line near Sydney; assist management; guaranteed £250 yearly. Apply Sawmill, Herald Office.

BAKER wanted, bread and smallgoods, country place. 20, Oxford-street, 2 p.m.

CARPENTERS wanted. Apply J. C. Goodwin and Co., new building, Abercrombie-street.

COACHPAINTER and improver wanted, day or piece work. Golsmid and Co., next Tramway Hotel, Paddington.

COOPERS wanted. Apply Cooperage 134, Kent-street North.

COOPERS wanted. Apply C. Pratley's Cooperage, 178, Eveleigh-street, Redfern.

CANVASSERS wanted Singer's Sewing Machines; salary and commission. The Singer Manufacturing Company, 1, Darling Stores, Harbour-street.

CLERK.—Advertiser, who has recently arrived in the colony, desires EMPLOYMENT in an office; has had three years' experience in a bank. H. L., Herald office.

CHRIST CHURCH PRIMARY SCHOOL.—Two trained Female TEACHERS, also a Pupil TEACHER, wanted; must be good disciplinarians. Apply to Mr. Thallon, G. P. O.

DENTISTS.—Wanted, good Mechanical ASSISTANT. Apply Murton and Company, 402, George-street.

DRAPER.—A good SALESMAN wanted, for the fancy department. Edwin Rice, 509, George-street.

DRAPERS.—Wanted, a good General HAND. F. M'Mahon, 646 and 648, George-street.

DRAPERY.—Wanted, 3 steady HANDS. 9 sharp, Nunn's Drapery Warehouse, 87, Botany-road, Waterloo.

DRESSMAKERS, and MACHINES, wanted. Miss Hall, 169, Elizabeth-street, Hyde Park.

GOVERNESSES required for Ladies' College; 40, 50, 100, and families 30 to 100 guineas. Mrs. Mead, 55, Hunter-st.

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JUNIOR CLERKSHIP IN THE MINT.

APPLICATIONS will be received until noon on MONDAY, the 31st December, from persons between 16 and 20 years of age, who have passed satisfactorily in the subjects appointed for the Junior Examination at the University of Sydney.

Printed forms may be obtained at the Mint.

ROBERT HUNT, Deputy Master.
Royal Mint, Sydney,
21st November, 1883.

LETTERPRESS Printing.—Respectable BOYS wanted. John Sands and Co., Bond-street.

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LIFE ASSURANCE.—The services of an energetic CANVASSER are required by a Mutual Life office; liberal terms to a good life man. Apply Policy, Box 823, G. P. O.

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MEDICAL.—Gentleman open purchase good class PRACTICE, suburban or country; or Partnership. Francis, chemist, Bourke street, Melbourne. Would prefer hospital attached.

NOTICE.

An opening exists at Hill End for a MEDICAL MAN, a fair Practice with Hospital, Friendly Societies, &c.

Further particulars by applying to Dr. O'REILY, Hill End; or G. H. BRYANT, Secretary, Hill End Hospital.

PARTNER wanted for large and profitable business, with about £2000 to £3000. S. P., Herald.

PHOTOGRAPHY.—Young LADY, with some knowledge of re-touching, reqd. Freeman and Co., 346, George-st.

PRINTER.—Wanted, a PRESSMAN who has a little knowledge of case; country. Moss, 220, Pitt-street.

REQUIRED, the services of a MAN experienced in hydropathic and homoeopathic treatment. T. Y., Herald.

RESIDENT GOVERNESS for ladies' school required; good English, arithmetic. Delta, Herald Office.

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ST. PETERS MUNICIPALITY.—Applications will be received up to 7 p.m. 31st instant from persons willing to fill the position of LIBRARIAN and CARETAKER at Town Hall, St. Peters.

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Specification of duties can be seen at Town Hall, Mondays and Wednesdays, 6 to 7.30 p.m.

Applications to be addressed to undersigned, endorsed "Librarian, &c."

By order of the Mayor.
THOS. LEEDER,
Council Clerk.
Town Hall, St. Peters,
December 19, 1883.

ST. PETERS MUNICIPALITY.—Applications, with references, will be received up to 7 p.m. 31st instant, from persons willing to fill the position of WORKING OVERSEER, at the weekly salary of £2 8s.

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Applications to be addressed to the undersigned, endorsed "Working Overseer."

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SLOP HAND.—JUNIOR wanted, at once. Howes, 141, George-street, opposite Queen's Wharf.

TO CHEMISTS.—Wanted, a JUNIOR. 78, William-street.

TO CHEMISTS.—Wanted, an ASSISTANT for the country. Elliott Brothers, 72, Pitt-street.

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WANTED, a WARDSMAN, for Model Lodging House. Apply to Manager, 10 a.m. to-day.

WANTED, a good COLLAR-MAKER, to take charge of a collar shed. George Walker, No. 2 Coffee Palace.

WANTED, a first-class MILLER; must have good references. Geo. Crossing and Co., millers, Mudgee.

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WANTED, a good General SMITH. Apply Triggs and Marr, Clarence-street.

WANTED, first-class BAKER, for the Richmond River. Apply Thomas Gellan, 148, Sussex-street.

WANTED, IMPROVER. Apply Wm. Crozier, baker, 41, Crown-street, Woolloomooloo.

WANTED, a PAINTER; good brush hand. Chatsworth, Macleay-street, Potts Point.

WANTED, 3 good SCABBLERS for kerb and gutter. Apply on the work, Flora-st., Macdonaldtown, W. Cox.

WANTED, a rough CARPENTER, small job. Apply Sydney Clubhouse, 255, Pitt-st., late Coffee Tavern.

WANTED, active young MAN for jobbing trade. A. J. Higgs, 46, Victoria-street.

WANTED, WHEELWRIGHT, good Body-maker, and Repairer. M'Mahon and Co., Circular Quay.

WANTED, COLLARMAKERS, work out. H. Hilleer, 167, Sussex-street, between Market and King sts.

WANTED, 6 SALESMEN, 6 SALESWOMEN. T. Forbes, 510, George-street.

WANTED, errand BOY, also one accustomed to the Photographic Business; or to Apprentice. E. Rüsfeldt, Royal Arcade.

WANTED, a competent DRAPER for the country, tailoring line. Apply 10 o'clock sharp, Thompson and Flemming, 1, Wynyard-street.

WANTED, a WHEELWRIGHT, must understand body making, constant job, no duffers need apply. Thomas West, contractor, Five Dock.

WANTED, good practical MACHINIST, to work heavy black wax leather machine. Apply personally to Mr. G. Walker, care No. 2 Coffee Palace.

WANTED, two or three good BASKETMAKERS; only good hands need apply. P. E. Tanuerts, basket warehouse, 249 and 251, Rundle-street, Adelaide.

WANTED, a PARTNER, with £200, in pushing business; would give half profits, or guarantee £4 per week; principals only. A. P. C., Herald Office.

WANTED, by an experienced Carpenter, to Collect rents and keep property in repair in all branches of the building trade; good security given, and references. G. Lyon, 340, Elizabeth-street South.

WANTED, two young WOMEN to accompany theatrical troupe on country tour; must sing; no previous knowledge of the profession required. Address Professor, G. P. Office.

WANTED, by a gentleman of experience, a PARTNER, with from £300 to £400, to join a business which will yield large returns, principals only. Apply to Box 676, G. P. O.

WANTED, an ENGINEER, to erect a travelling crane for store. Apply for particulars to Robert Kunstman, consulting engineer and architect, Corn Exchange, Haymarket.

WANTED, for Rockhampton, 6 or 8 good Ship CARPENTERS, accustomed to wharf and bridge building; wages, 14s per day, nine hours. Only good steady men need apply. Robert Grant, foot of Market-street.

WATCHMAKERS and Jewellers.—Wanted by gentleman with £1000 capital, Partnership in established business; thorough tradesman and salesman; English and colonial experience. Address Messrs. Cope and King, solicitors, Pitt-street, opposite City Bank.

WRITTEN applications, with copies of testimonials, will be received by the Secretary for the position of General MANAGER to the Compagnoni Company, Pitt-street. Applicants must have a thorough knowledge of the Catering Branch of the business; salary £5 per week, with board and residence.

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ADVICE to EMPLOYERS.—Get your Man Servants, Labourers, &c., at Simmonds' reg., 223, Castlereagh-street.

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BY Lady, young, recently from England, SITUATION as Companion, or Housekeeper, where girl is kept. L. E., Steam Packet Hotel, George-street North.

CHRISTMAS EVE.—RILEY BROTHERS are the cheapest for Men's and Boys' Clothing, Shirts, Hats, &c.

COOGEE PARK Sale THIS DAY. Trams at 1.30 and 2 p.m. SMITH, CHAPMAN, and SMITH.

DISENGAGED, Cook and Laundresses, Laundresses, General Servants. 186, Riley-street, near Oxford-street.

MEDICAL ASSISTANT open to Engagement end of year; experienced in obstetric practice. Medical, Post Office, Macdonaldtown, Sydney.

MIDWIFE wishes to attend ladies, town or country. Nurse, Eliza-street, off Church-street, Camperdown.

PRACTICAL GARDENER DISENGAGED, married, no family; Protestants. M. W. B., G. P. O.

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SITUATION wanted, by a young Man, six years' home experience in wholesale haberdashery; home reference. Manchester, 432, Riley-street South, Surry Hills.

TO STOREKEEPERS.—Business Young Man, of good address, seeks ENGAGEMENT; thorough knowledge drapery, keep books, correspond, &c.; open week. Business, Post-office, St. Leonards.

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WANTED, by Accountant, SITUATION in country, in some capacity; security. Adroit, Annandale P. O.

WANTED, SITUATION, by Carpenter; good draughtsman. Apply Carpenter, Burwood P. O.

WANTED, by well educated lady, SITUATION as Housekeeper or Companion. Address Musical, Herald.

WANTED, SITUATION, as House and Parlour Maid, in the country; ref. 9, Barcom-st., Darlinghurst.

WANTED, by good Needlewoman, HOME in gentleman's family in country. Miss Lane, Croft's, William-st.

WANTED, a SITUATION in a country general Store, either as Salesman or Bookkeeper and Manager; highest references. Address Storekeeper, Herald Office.

WANTED, by a farmer's son, married, a SITUATION as Working Overseer on a farm. Apply Overseer, G. P. O.

WANTED, by thorough domesticated married Woman, with girl 16 months old, a SITUATION; references. Address Domestic, Watson's News Agency, Ashfield.

WANTED, SITUATION, as Barman or Waiter, thoroughly experienced, well up in cellar work. Address James Whitaker, care of Mr. T. Rothery, 107, Harbour-street, Sydney.

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A RESPECTABLE BOY wanted. Downe's, 35, Park-street.

A WAITER wanted, used to restaurant, good wages. No. 30, Kent-street, Miller's Point.

BRICKLAYER'S LABOURER wanted. Apply Mr. Blake's new cottage, Education Park, Ashfield, after 10.

BRAIDWOOD HOSPITAL.—Wanted, WARDSMAN and MATRON, without encumbrances; salary, with board, £75 per annum. Applications, with references, to be sent to the secretary, on or before MONDAY, 31st instant. J. P. Flashman, secretary.

CHRISTMAS EVE.—Go and see the Wonderful Bargains in Boys' Clothing at RILEY BROTHERS'.

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COOK wanted, immediately; first-class hotel, West Maitland. References. After 10, 128, Phillip-street.

COMFORTABLE HOME to respectable Girl, assist housework, mind baby; no washing; two in family; good wages. 1, Rose-terrace, High-street, Waverley.

FEMALE SERVANTS of all capacities wanted for town, suburbs, and country. Agency, 6, Bridge-street.

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